

Save Our Schools

Cuts falling 50% short of target

A special survey carried out by TES reveals that the 55 local authorities in England and Wales are likely to cut half what they are told to from their education budgets this year. This may lead next year to greater cuts in areas which have saved little, or to a huge increase in rates. Full survey, pages 10-11.

Major savings deferred

Lucy Hodges

Local authorities are deferring many of the cuts they were asked to make this year. The survey shows savings are expected to be £98.7m instead of £250m, a 1.5 per cent cut this financial year, half the amount Sir Geoffrey Howe told authorities to axe in his Budget speech.

The TES survey, which appears on pages 10 and 11, shows three authorities—two Conservative controlled and one Labour—to be the cutters. Avon (3.8 per cent), Cheshire (3.7 per cent) and Dorset (4.7 per cent) have saved less than the average 3 per cent asked for.

For the next financial year—1980—the picture looks a good deal darker. Our survey reveals a number of authorities who are considering cutting substantially more than 3 per cent asked for in the Public Expenditure White Paper. Avon, is pondering 5, 7, 10 and 10 per cent. But the final decisions rest on the Rate Support Grant element and whether L.E.A.s will be able to charge for milk and other services.

Fifteen authorities claim to have made no cuts at all. The Scottish authorities are said to care more for education than other Britons, and have been particularly loath to cut. Out of the 12 Scottish areas—Aberdeen, Dumfries and Galloway, Argyll, Perth and Kinross, and the Highlands—have made no savings. In total Scotland has at least £1m, the bulk of it from Strathclyde.

And Glamorgan, Northampton, Oxfordshire and the Isles of Scilly, and the metropolitan authorities—Sandwell, South Tyneside, Walsall and Wolverhampton, Hounslow, Newham and Redbridge in London have saved little.

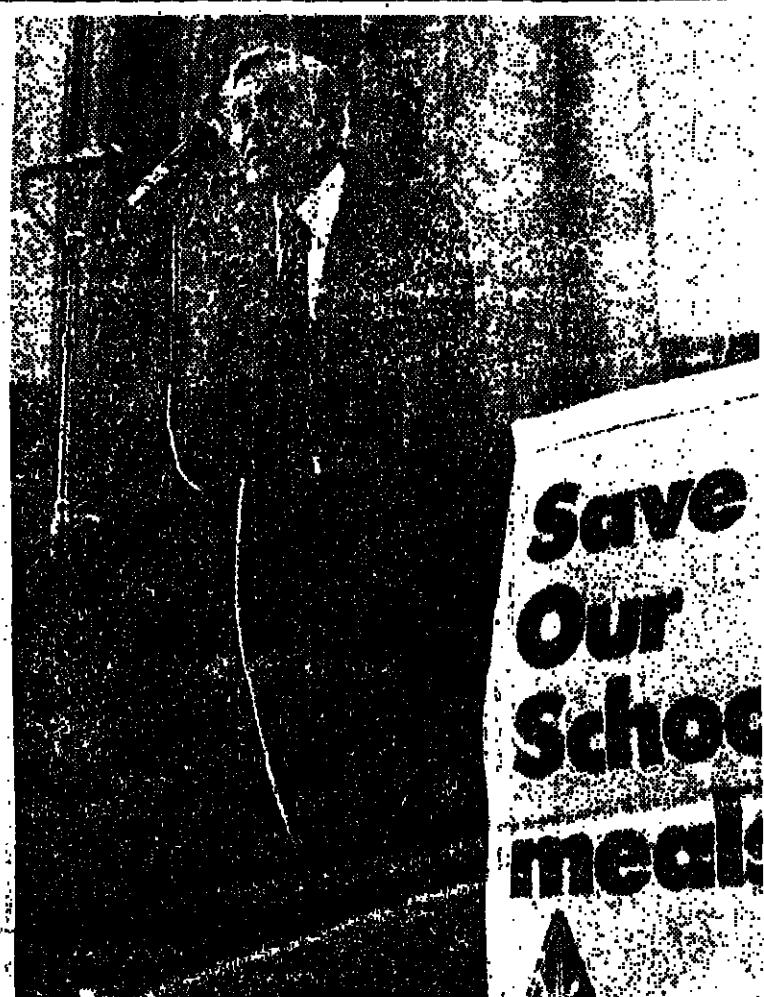
Thirteen other councils explained they were making economies, not cuts: the Scottish authority, Highland, Kent, Burnley, Bury, Gateshead, Kirkcaldy, Knowlsey, Leeds, Newcastle, Salford, Wigan and the London boroughs of Barking and Havering.

The cutters are setting about areas that are easier to cut, politically and financially or where there is no statutory requirement. Adult and further education and capital (what schools spend on books and stationery) are particularly hard hit. The survey shows:

- Increases in adult education fees in 29 authorities (and in a further seven next year); reduced adult classes in 11 areas.
- Capitation cuts in 26 authorities, by as much as 30 per cent in Gwent primary schools, 20 per cent in Lincolnshire and Nottingham and 10 per cent in Slough.
- 104 teacher redundancies, four of them in Avon and the rest in Trafford, 153 additional teachers not appointed in six areas, 1,314 jobs closed through natural wastage, redeployment, early retirement in six authorities; another 803 to be lost next year.
- Further education discretionary awards cut in eight areas, appointments cut in four.
- Return to statutory transport requirements in five areas. Hampshire is considering a standard charge of 15p a journey next year.
- Youth service cuts in nine authorities.

Slough is asking schools to compete in cutting capitation. The prize? A bigger allowance for the winners. It is also reducing the temperature of classrooms by one degree.

Devon, Wiltshire and the Isles of Wight are saving by changing school holiday dates and Rochdale is cutting its job advertisements. Gwynedd is closing a convalescent home for delicate children and gaining £37,000.



Fighting the cuts, but are they being made? Mr Alan Fisher, General Secretary of NUPE, addressing a rally in Leeds on Monday. It was held as part of National Education Week.

Whitehall proposes framework for a core curriculum

by Bob Doe

The Government wants an agreed framework for the curriculum laying down not only the subjects to be taught but the ground to be covered, and the time to be devoted to these subjects, according to Lady Young, Minister of State at the Department of Education and Science.

Commenting on the survey of local authority curricular policies (pages 16, 17) published on Wednesday, Lady Young said the DES would be seeking agreement with representatives of the local authorities, schools and bodies like the Confederation of British Industry and the trade unions on what ought to be included.

She was not willing to be specific about what the Government wants. The views of HMI and the DES will be published in two papers at the turn of the year. They would form the focus for the debate.

She did, however, point out that English, maths, science, modern languages, religious education and preparation for working life were specifically mentioned in this week's report in circular 14/77.

She made it clear, too, that the HMI's primary survey published last year and the survey of secondary schools due next month would also feature in discussions. "The National Primary Survey showed, as the forthcoming secondary survey will also show, weaknesses in some aspects of the curriculum which we must remedy."

Lady Young said it was all the more important to look at the essential content of education when school rolls were falling and to take advantage of this to improve the teaching force.

The National Union of Teachers is "seriously concerned" that this "major shift in the British education system" will undermine the ability of teachers to meet effectively the needs of children.

Mr Fred Jarvis, the union's General Secretary, said this proposal contradicted everything the Government had said about giving more freedom to local authorities. "It is surprising to say the least, that no reference is made to the role of the Schools Council, the body in which the DES, L.E.A.s and teachers all work together on curriculum matters."

In fact, Lady Young revealed that informal talks have taken place with Mr John Tomlinson, the council's chairman. She expected the council to contribute to the detailed work on the framework.

In the meantime, the council has started its own "Framework for the Curriculum" project which was originally due to report next November. Consultations on the DES and HMI papers is expected to start early next year.

The L.E.A.'s council says the existing statutory framework for the curriculum is adequate and it does not want Ministers to have any new powers of direction. It accepts though that L.E.A.s should use their existing powers to secure a balanced curriculum.

Lady Young said they had no intention of "reversing the 1944 Education Act". No legislation on the curriculum is planned but she did not rule it out completely.

Mrs Angela Rumbold, chairman of the Council of Local Education Authorities, hoped the document would be used as a springboard for further development and not as the material for which hundreds of bad authorities. Mrs Rumbold is also Education Committee chairman in Kingston, the only authority that refused to answer circular 14/77.

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The Times Educational Supplement is in business once again. We are delighted to be back. We apologize to readers, contributors and advertisers for our 50-week absence. Enough has been written about The Times dispute to make further comment unnecessary here. The best we can do is to pick up the threads at once and get back into the fray.

And what a fray: the 1970s are ending with a bang. The party's over and the days are drawing in. The education cuts are biting deep—as the survey on page 10 shows. True, they have not been nearly as severe as the Government demanded in the summer. But the local authorities have cut this year, the more some of them are going to have to cut next.

It would be foolish to adopt a position which denies the possibility of making savings on an education budget of £9,600 million. The principle of cutting itself is not an issue between the political parties; it is plain that Labour's spending plans would not have survived the General Election if they had won. What attention has to be concentrated on in these columns is the extent to which education is hit and the particular ways it is done.

Mr Mark Carlisle and Lady Young repeat ad nauseam that it is the government's intention that education standards should be defended and even raised, notwithstanding the cuts. This is empty rhetoric. When challenged with evidence from schools where book allowances are cut and extra-curricular activities are restricted, they hide behind the local authorities. Like Shirley Williams and the



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Empty rhetoric and the old refrain of double standards

then Edward Short before them, they carry on about the Rate Support Grant as if it were a set of earmarked sums for particular services. But Ministers know, and everybody else knows, that RSG calculations have little direct relationship to what happens in Cheshire or Newham. At the local level other considerations prevail, including the pressures exerted by trade unions, the priorities of politicians, and even the uncertainties of the grant formula itself, which cause some L.E.A.s to get more and others less than they expect.

The Secretary of State and the Minister of State should know just how irritating

it is for those at the receiving end of local cuts to hear their canting refrain: it would be much better if they came out openly and admitted that hopes of raising standards have to be deferred. The unhappy truth is that the incidence of the cuts will be extremely uneven throughout the country and that, whatever Ministers may say, there will be places where education suffers in obvious—even spectacular—ways.

The Bill now before Parliament will make this unevenness worse by adding school meals and transport to the services where local discretion applies. The aim is to transfer more cost to the parents. Giv-

ing L.E.A.s more power is a transparent device to disperse the odium which higher charges will arouse. If the L.E.A. discretion is to be genuine, then there is bound to be markedly different arrangements in different parts of the country, and this by itself would strain the present structure of local government finance.

Hence the plan to take away with the left hand what is given with the right, proposed unitary grant system require civil servants in London to establish the needs of individual authorities for the purpose of deciding grants. This is Mr Heseltine's weapon against authorities which refuse to toe the line. It is also a blunderbuss aimed at government in general.

These matters are much less real from the classroom than may at first appear. Other topics will dominate educational news. The Curriculum Review, the Secondary Survey, Keph APU mathematics, the Clegg Award, next, important round in Burnham—these will raise the question of support. Who pays? Who decides? Can a system have high standards? How can maintained schools provide a standard of education from severely constrained public funds comparable with that which well-to-do people are prepared to pay outside the public system?

Mr Kinross's answer is to rub out competition and give the impoverished local authorities a monopoly. Mr Carr and his friends are not alone in rejecting this totalitarian answer. But what is the solution? Just cutting the money curbing the local authorities will not either.

the way, if you could possibly try to go easy on this, that and the other, we'd be much obliged. The local authorities will hear both messages. It may be that the rates will go up to the extent that they listen to the second message rather than the first.

of the sample on which the survey was based. The following table provides a few comparisons.

Average Gross Weekly Earnings		L/week	
Teachers in primary and secondary schools compared with all non-manual workers in industries and services		Great Britain	Non-manual
Primary Teachers	£102.40	£102.40	£113.00
Secondary Teachers	£103.70	£103.70	£113.00
Source: DE Gazette, October, 1979, Tables 5, 7, 8 and 9.			

Add 9 per cent plus £6 a month to the teachers' averages and the primary teacher's pay only rises to £108.66—£5,546 a year. The secondary teacher would receive only £110.64 a week—£5,753 a year. This would compare with an average of £5,876 a year for male non-manual industrial workers. Women teachers fare significantly less well at all levels, which reflects the underrepresentation of women in senior posts and the different age distribution of men and women in teaching.

The difficulty of establishing the appropriate jobs with which to compare teaching remains to plague the Clegg Commission, and ensures that the argument will continue after the Commission has spoken.

The DES and the local authorities have sought to minimize the Clegg award by urging that special attention should be paid to the teachers' conditions of service. As these conditions are, traditionally, ill-defined the commission may find it difficult to reach a realistic assessment of the teachers' work.

But such evidence as there is from research supports the case put forward by the NUT that, taking the year as a whole, the teachers average 38 to 40 hours a week.

It would be grossly unfair to individual teachers—as well as damaging to the education service—to exploit the present unsatisfactory teachers' contract to feed the public myth that teaching is a soft option.

for the DES in persuading teachers and authorities to accept government leadership on curricular matters. Ample evidence has been assembled of the lack of coordination and consistent thinking which characterizes the present state of education. The professional autonomy.

The case for guidelines is strong. In the seems broadly to have been accepted, owes a good deal to the cautious measured way in which the DES has sought to negotiate a major change in the curriculum. What the department now do is to show that it can, in reality, do a framework which really stands up, which is not so vague as to be platitudinous (though uncontroversial) or so rigid as to be harmful (and unacceptable).

A well-articulated secondary school regular framework would have great value. It could be used to force local authorities and the Government to ensure that teachers with the appropriate specialisms are provided to maintain the full breadth of the curriculum. Failing secondary, it will reinforce the importance of this. All of which suggests that there is a way to go before anybody can say how (or how bad) the curriculum exercise turns out to be. It falls to face up to staffing and resources question it will a waste of time.

Green-hair boy is back Nothing changes

The green-hair boy is back, and so are the reasons for sending children home from school. It feels as if we have never been as though perhaps punk-rock hair is an extension on simple old blue locks.

At least in the case of the suspect rocker, the head of his school, Colin Southam, has agreed that "for reasons" his hair cannot be returned to normal colour immediately.

Serendipity seems to be taking a longer in the case of the 15-year-old home for wearing dark brown pulled-up hair. The school rules are not as strict as black. There must be a better way of punishing for O levels, particularly when twin brother was allowed to remain in school wearing light blue clothes.

It sometimes seems as if instant media is the answer if children's education is to be disrupted by subversive rule and in entrenched positions, whatever the nature and writing of the case. How about a local ACAS?

No comment

Another aspect of Susan's behaviour further supports disturbance is her ability to refuse to respond, which she frequently, I cannot believe it is solely enjoyment—more another facet of adolescent behaviour—report on pupil psychologist in assessment centre.



21 per cent of chemistry teachers are unqualified

Shortage of science teachers now 1500

by Bob Doe

Shortages of teachers in the crucial subjects of maths and science are far worse than were thought. A major survey of the qualifications and deployment of staff in secondary schools by the Department of Education and Science is expected to reveal that three times as many science teachers are needed as were shown by previous official estimates.

The regular annual DES estimates of staff shortages showed this year that about 500 extra science teachers were needed in secondary schools. These estimates have always been regarded as probably inaccurate as they depend to a large extent on the opinion of head teachers.

Because of these doubts a more thorough review of staffing was suggested by the new dormant, Advisory Committee on the Supply and Training of Teachers (ACSTT). Based on a 10 per cent sample of schools in 1977, this survey is believed to have found that schools are short of an equivalent of 1,500 science teachers.

It has also revealed the extent to which unqualified teachers are being used to fill the breach. One teacher in three who is teaching physics has no qualification in that subject. More than 50 per cent of maths teachers are unqualified.

This means 16 per cent of the maths lessons in secondary schools

Catholics grasp assisted places scheme possibilities

by Bert Lodge

Up to 10 Roman Catholic former direct grant schools, forced to go comprehensive by the last Labour Government, could go private in the early 1980s.

A similar number of the country's remaining grammar schools, though under no immediate threat of having to go comprehensive, are also considering going independent.

Both groups are counting on considerable help from the Government's controversial Assisted Places scheme, intended to help bright children from "less well-off" families take up places in independent schools. Ultimately 12,000 to 15,000 children a year are to be assisted in this way at an annual cost of £50m-£60m.

Criticism of the scheme has come from many quarters including the Labour Party and the National Union of Teachers.

Roman Catholic schools would probably be in Lancashire from among the 20 or so former RC direct grant schools, some now comprehensives.

If the tentative hopes of these schools are realized it may fuel the suspicion that it was intended to benefit schools as much as children, despite refusals by Tory supporters.

Others might see some significance in the fact that though the schemes had been around very much in its present form since 1972 it was not until 1977, only a year after the Labour ultimatum to the direct grant schools, to come into the

maintained sector or go independent, that it was suddenly embraced by the Tory party's most distinguished Roman Catholic, Mr Norman St John-Stevens, then Shadow Education Secretary. It immediately became official Tory policy.

The man at the DES behind the scheme, Mr Stuart Sexton, political adviser to Mr Mark Carlisle and former adviser to Mr Norman St John-Stevens, is also a Roman Catholic.

St Edward's College, Liverpool, a former direct grant school of 600 boys, will definitely withdraw from the Merseyside authority's comprehensive scheme and seek independence. "The trustees have made the decision," Brother William Gillespie, head, said this week.

"It will be made easier by the fact that the Merseyside scheme has not yet been approved by the DES. We felt in 1976 we had no alternative but to join it with 90 per cent of our places free under the direct grant system but when the Government changed in May we saw the possibility of the Assisted Places scheme."

Brother Gillespie reckoned that St Edward's would need about 60 places a year from the scheme to be a viable independent school. He was hopeful that St Edward's, with its good reputation, would get them but he doubted if others would take the gamble.

This is not the view understood to prevail among members of the Lancashire diocesan commissions where it is thought that perhaps between six and 10 former direct grant schools may follow the example of St Edward's.

When assisted places begin to be allocated next summer for take-up in September, 1981, the first year of the scheme's operation, critics will be toting up how many go to Lancashire's former Roman Catholic direct grant schools.

Yet if there are enough to any one school to "float" it entirely out of the maintained system the Government could point out that this would be no more than was foreshadowed in the consultative document. But the school would have to become independent first.

The majority of these direct grant schools in the Lancashire urban areas of Liverpool, Manchester and Bolton, far from being middle class fee-swallowing institutions, were simply grammar schools for Roman Catholic children.

Only 7 per cent of the income of all RC direct grant schools came from parents.

Letters will go out before Christmas to every independent secondary school in the country inviting them to take part. The letter is really a courtesy gesture. Though it will ask schools how many places they are prepared to offer the reality is that schools are already telephoning and writing to the DES asking, "How many can we have?"

Some inquiries are from grammar school divisions worried about their future if a Labour Government, determined to end selection, should be returned to office. They are believed to include Wisbech, Thetford Fulmerston, the Royal Lancaster and King Edward VI, Warwick.

Secret cash shuffle by MSC

by Mark Jackson

The Manpower Services Commission has secretly transferred £14m from the Youth Opportunities Programme to the STEP programme for the unemployed over 19s.

In June the Government decided to halve the size of STEP—the Special Temporary Employment Programme—and restrict future projects to designated areas of high unemployment and the inner cities. The budget was cut from nearly £85m to under £42.5m. It made clear that its priority was the YOP for school leavers.

Although the YOP budget was cut back by 25 per cent it was clear that the commission, which has been spending much less per head on the youngsters than it estimated, would still be able to meet its YOP target easily.

But it has been unable to cut back the STEP programme to the 12,000 to 14,000 places which the Government has sanctioned.

Mr Jim Prior, the Employment Secretary, approved the transfer in principle.

Golden handshake bid to cut staff

Teachers in Bradford are about to be offered golden handshakes to leave the service. Severance payments of up to one year's salary are being offered if they accept voluntary redundancy.

They will also get the statutory two weeks' pay for each year they have been in work, and, if they are over 50, increased pensions.

The Bradford division of the National Union of Teachers was meeting this week to decide whether to enter negotiations with the authority on the scheme. Mr. Ron Graveling, the division secretary, said this week that up to 300 teachers could be affected.

A local authority spokesman said the council was prepared to spend up to £5m in golden handshakes

Comment

Up go the storm signals

The announcement of the Rate Support Grant settlement later today will translate last week's public expenditure white paper into cash terms for the local authorities. Or, at any rate, that is the general idea.

It will do no more at this stage than spell out in global terms the Government's assessment of local authority current spending, on the assumption that it is cut by some three per cent from the 1979-80 level and five per cent from the level projected by the Labour Government last January.

This is what the Government's White Paper assumes. What actually will happen, of course, is likely to be quite different. Everything suggests that local authorities, for a variety of reasons, will fail or refuse to make cuts on the scale the Government demands. Rates will increase by upwards of 20 per cent and the 1980-81 outturn will reflect higher spending levels which will then bedevil argument next year about the appropriate base-line for the 1981-82 RSG. It will also further strengthen the case for a new law to curb the scope for local authorities to defy Government policy.

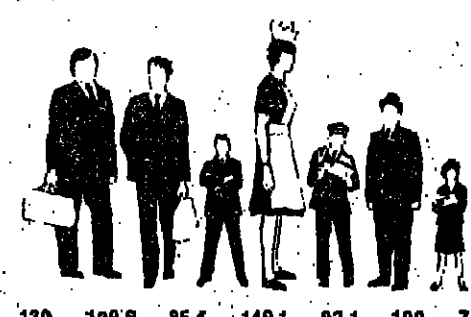
Nevertheless, the pretence must be carried on that the spending plans are much more precise than they can ever be. Thus the DES' gloss on the White Paper insists that the total includes enough money to continue with the present level of nursery education. It includes enough money to maintain the present staffing levels, and to temper the disincentives of falling rolls by cutting the teaching force by only 3.7 per cent while pupil numbers drop by 4.7 per cent. It includes a bit more for further education, the population trends are still upwards. By the same token it anticipates savings of £220m on milk, roads and transport by an increase of charges.

These figures have very little meaning at the level of individual authorities. Oxfordshire, for example, which is a net contributor to the central fund, will have to cut its education budget by 10 per cent. The intention now is to provide for the under lives in schools of choice.

At the same time, the local authority associations insist that, at most, further charges and other savings on these items will be about £150m. The savings which come across is that the education authorities represent no more than 10 per cent of the total. What the public expenditure white paper means for local spending is that the Government's First Signal is to cut education by 10 per cent. This is the message which is being sent.

If you pay in peanuts, you get monkeys

Collective Agreement percentage increase 1974-79



Teachers' salaries are much too low and ought to be sharply increased. The Clegg Commission will soon recommend an award which the Government, the local authorities and the teachers' unions will have "little alternative but to swallow".

It is always going to be expensive—and never convenient—to give a pay rise in an occupational group as large as the teachers, but the Secretary of State, who should know as well as anybody that the education system is the pillar of the nation, cannot afford to do this. The money cannot afford to do this. The money cannot afford to do this.

The New Survey conducted by the Department of Employment collects capricious information about the pay of different groups. The information is collected in April each year. Let us suppose, that April, 1979, figures are published for the teachers' 9 per cent pay rise which is due to be implemented in April, but probably not already in the pay slips

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Budget split equally by social class

by Philip Venning

Working class children get, up to the sixth-form, as fair a share of the school budget as middle class children, according to a study to be published shortly.

Its author, Mr Julian Le Grand of the London School of Economics, has made what is probably the first attempt to analyse how education spending is divided between children of different social classes.

His study shows that the English and Welsh compulsory education system (up to the age of 16) is scrupulously fair on average. Children of parents whose jobs are professional, other white-collar, skilled manual, and unskilled manual all get the same proportionate share of education spending. But after the age of 16 the gap between social classes opens up, and widens the higher the level of education.

The Government's Central Statistical Office regularly works out who benefits most from public spending. But their calculations are based on household income, before taxes are deducted or benefits added, and are distorted by inclusion of pensioners and others.

Mr Le Grand's study, by contrast, is much more specific and relates education spending to social class. He does this by using unpublished figures from the 1972 General Household Survey on the number of people in six socio-economic groups at different levels of education (excluding independent schools). Multiplying these by local authority figures on spending per pupil or student gave the total public cost of the resources consumed by each socio-economic group at each level of education. These figures were then adjusted to take into account differences in

age and sex distribution between the groups.

He found that in 1973 spending per pupil was much the same for all social classes up to the age of 16. In primary schools it was £133 for children of professionals and managers, £134 for children of other white collar workers, and £141 for children of both skilled and unskilled manual workers.

In secondary schools, spending per pupil under 16 was £194 for professionals and managers' children, £212 for white collar workers' children, and £208 and £209 for skilled and unskilled workers respectively.

But at sixth form level the difference suddenly becomes marked, reflecting the much higher proportion of middle class children who stay on after 16. Children of professionals and managers cost the Exchequer an average of £116 each; children of white collar workers cost £96 each; of skilled manual workers only £47 each; and of semi and unskilled workers £64 each. Complete figures for teachers and higher education were harder to come by, but those available suggest that the inequality continues rising sharply.

Perhaps the biggest weakness of the school figures, Mr Le Grand admits, is that they do not distinguish between grammar, secondary, modern, and comprehensive schools. The costs in each type of school are averaged out. Because it is likely that a higher proportion of middle class than working class children went to grammar schools in 1972, and because it is also likely that grammar schools were more expensive to run (excluding the cost of the sixth form), middle class children probably got a larger share than the overall figures suggest.

WARNING TO TEACHERS OF HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

All teachers of speech paralysed, cerebral palsied, brain damaged or mentally retarded children and all parents of such children are advised to acquire the authoritative book on communication with symbols by the author Charles Bliss titled 'Semantography-Blissymbols' which is being sold without profit and which has been praised by Bertrand Russell, Julian Huxley and other great scholars.

The author, Charles Bliss, has been honoured by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II with the 'Order of Australia' (A.M.). His invaluable work in connection with teaching aids for the mentally handicapped has led to others producing similar but illogical symbols which may confuse handicapped children and adults of Great Britain.

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Lessons from life

David Bellamy, the Botanic Man, explores the relevance of being relevant—first of a new series by people outside the schools orbit on the changes needed within



David Bellamy poses informally with a scene from the book he believes should be a primer for all primaries

One of the interesting facets of modern life has been the upgrading of shops which sold second-hand goods and bric-a-brac to establishments purveying antiques. The remarkable thing is that their wares have changed only in name. This is not because we get older, antiques (like policemen) get younger, but is a genuine yearning to own something which has stood the test of time.

I am willing to accept that the motive may not always be the purest and that, in part, increase in value is the driving force. The fact remains however, that the last thing most bric-a-brac collectors will do is part with their collections; so it is at least a partial truism that survival through time demands a modicum of respect. What more positive reaction could there be when we live in a world of instant values in which the walls are guaranteed to last no longer than the fitted carpets. We are all part of an economy whose very existence depends on throwawayism.

So more and more of us sit on the fence, tranquillised in a wilderness of worry between what has proved itself of lasting value and what will probably not stand the test of time even if it is around long enough to have the opportunity.

So too with education. Let me take an example from the subject of botany, about which I can claim some knowledge.

It would be true to say that few, if any, university botanists, if asked, would profess to be botanists. They would say ecologists, taxonomists, biochemists, molecular biologists to which they might add the prefix of suffix plant.

The reason for this is that they live in a specialist world. Their contracts demand that, apart from teaching, they must carry out research and 'as research is the open sesame' to the halls of international symposia and academic fame, they do it with exuberance. No wonder, then, that however hard a lecturer may try, the highlights of his teaching course are likely to be in those spheres related to his research; and speaking from experience, it is very easy to make the teaching courses, even at first year level, somewhat specialist.

Such specialisation is infective and the whole education system has become suffused with it as the students of such university courses enter the teacher training colleges.

Out of this spiral of specialisation and the promiscuity of opportunity in the 1950s and 1960s, has come the whizz-kidology, the brainy, power conversations of the motorcycle, the family tree of the Osmonds and the warp-factors of stargazing. But why, not the permutations of pons, anagrams? Why? Because no one ever taught

What do people do all day?

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MPs will mount closer watch on DES

by Sandra Hempel

MPs will put the Department of Education and Science under more intensive scrutiny than ever before when the new Select Committee on expenditure, administration and departmental policy starts work this session.

Unlike its predecessor, which dealt with education and home affairs, it will concentrate solely on the DES and will have more time and resources to investigate.

Members will decide what topics to examine but are expected to opt for short-term inquiries of immediate issues. Terms of reference are kept as wide as possible but the powers to send for people and documents remain the same.

The Government refused demands for the right to summon Ministers and their papers, but said it hoped Ministers would comply with requests to appear before select committees.

The names of proposed members have yet to get House of Commons approval.

The selection committee was inundated with applications for all 14 committees. It is technically free to choose its own criteria for appointments—which remain secret—but some MPs are angry about alleged interference by the whips.

The education committee consists of five Conservatives, three Labour members and a Welsh Nationalist. The Conservatives are: Mr Timothy Brinton, Mr Patrick Cormack, Mr Harry Greenway, Mr David Madel and Mr John Osborn. The Labour members are Mr Christopher Price, Mr John MacWilliam and Mr Stan Thorne. The Welsh Nationalist is Mr Dafydd Iwan.

One of the most important tasks for education in this country is to develop an efficient and convincing method of evaluating a school's performance. This is needed urgently to restore public confidence and to ward off demands for less sophisticated approaches to evaluation.

On a visit to Australia in the summer I was impressed by the way in which some of their independent schools were tackling this problem. Evaluation is not universal in their independent schools but it is catching on, and some of their major schools—such as Scotch College, Melbourne—have given a lead.

The Australian method (which is an adaptation of that used by North American independent schools) is self-evaluation which, in turn, is evaluated by the school. It is a complete package, complete with the following: software, courseware, booklets, examination questions.

But much more than that I would demand that we start to believe in education *sensu stricto*, invested money where it must pay off rather than where it creates income.

That high class comics and school newspapers (and by high class I mean of the late Eagle standard) produced and marketed at a competitive price. Note the word school; they must contain information about schools; or don't we really believe in them?

That a magazine programme, also in which items from, about and for schools and schooling are given an airing they deserve.

In short, education should for the first time be made part of life, not just an adjunct to it.

Homo sapiens is biologically above all other animals by the power of the thinking part of his brain. Let us start to use it to our best advantage. Let the motto of education be:

QUID ALIT VITAM NISI DOCTRINAM QUID ALIT DOCTRINAM NISI VITAM and for those of you who, like me, did not learn Latin, sweet it can be.

The departmental report is distorted, questions are asked, inconclusive, probed, weaknesses analysed. The outside team is seeking to help the department by identifying what is being done well

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Keohane to back new exam

by Bob Doe

The one-year sixth form exam, the Certificate of Extended Education, will get the backing of the Keohane Committee when its report is published next month. Plans have also been laid for another new sixth form examination, the Intermediate level.

Keohane, an independent committee of inquiry set up by the Labour Government to look into exams for the less able sixth former, will recommend that a slightly modified CEE should be officially adopted. Though an estimated 20,000 candidates now take this exam, it still officially has only experimental status.

The committee, chaired by Professor Kevin Keohane, rector of the Roehampton Institute of Higher Education, wants vocational options to be included in the exam. This reflects the influence of the further education members on the committee.

It also suggests that there should be tests of literacy and numeracy. This means the CEE could be packaged in a form rather similar to the City and Guilds Foundation Studies course.

The target group for the exam are those with CSE grades two to four. They will be designed so that it ought to be possible to take up to five CEEs in one year.

Potential entry for CEE is not thought to be much over 70,000 candidates a year. This means that to offer it on an economical basis, exam boards may have to work together, as some already do.

The killing of the N and F proposals, one of the first acts of the present Secretary of State, means that the N level, the I level would be roughly equivalent to half an A level. It would allow some minor subject broadening of the sixth form curriculum for those who wanted it. Scientists, for instance, could use it to continue their language studies or economics and social sciences to continue with maths.

Though it may be possible to combine the I level with some CEEs, the target group is much more like that for the present A and O levels. The 180 hours' study involved in each could be spread over one year or two, leading to exams either at the end of the first year sixth or at the same time as A level.

Any Government decision on the I level or CEE is unlikely before next year and is likely to be linked with decisions on the common 16-plus proposal which is still outstanding.

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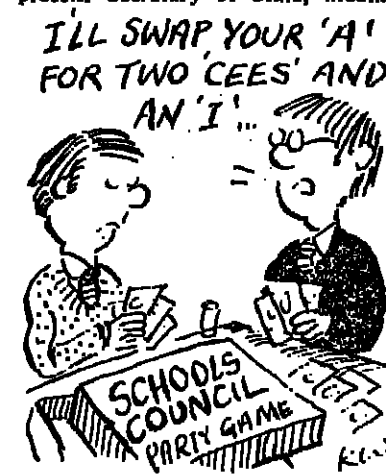
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How Clegg will calculate pay levels

Professor Clegg, chairman of the comparability commission, will soon have before him the results of a complicated exercise which is designed to evaluate teachers' jobs and place them in a league table of occupations, so that direct comparisons can be made with rates of pay elsewhere.

The exercise depends on the assumptions that workers and employers have about other jobs. It is being carried out under contract by Invision, a firm of management consultants.

Initially, a list of 40 jobs is selected: jobs which teachers might have gone into, given their qualifications, education, background and so on, if they had not chosen to work in schools. Then representative samples of 20 primary and 20 secondary school teachers are chosen so that there is a good spread of all the different types of teacher—scale one, head of department, scale three in a rural school, senior master in an urban authority and so on.

Judging panels of five teachers, five employers and three independent members then compare all the jobs with each other to produce a rank order. The teachers will appear at, as yet unknown, positions in the list.

The aim is to show that a scale 2 teaching job, for example, can be compared with a group of other jobs in commerce, industry, or profession, which are rewarded at a certain rate. Fringe benefits, including pension, perks, holidays and so on are taken into account for all the jobs surveyed.

The results of this exercise should be available next month and will form part of the evidence to be assessed by Professor Clegg and the commission. Both the management and teachers' side of the Burnham Committee have submitted their own arguments and all the unions on the committee have produced their own evidence as well.

By the end of December, the commission will have produced a report to the Burnham Committee which will decide the size of the overall payment. Half of the increase will be due on January 1 with the remainder being paid on September 1.



Fred Jarvis and John Horrell are waiting for the word from Clegg.

Six rises in a row: but all eyes on Clegg

Reports by Stephen Cohen

Britain's half million teachers, probably alone among the nation's employed, are getting pay rises every three months. From last April, when salaries were increased by 9 per cent and £6 a month, to next October, when those on incremental scales will move up a point, there will have been six rises.

Only one will be worth waiting for. And the only person who has any idea what it will be is Professor Hugh Clegg, the chairman of the Standing Commission on Pay Comparability, which was set up in the

Rises since Houghton

In 1974, the average salary for teachers was £3,150 a year. On April 1, 1978, it was £5,016—an increase of 59 per cent. Since the Houghton award in 1974, pay rises have been:

- 1975—an average 13.5 per cent after arbitration
- 1976—£312 a year with no rise for those earning over £8,500 in line with stage 1 of the social contract
- 1977—£132 minimum and £189 maximum, but those earning between £3,050 and £4,160 got 10 per cent minus £21. (This was the £2,505 per cent £4 a week formula of stage 1)
- 1978—10 per cent for all with an extra £312 to those above £8,500 in 1978
- The average rise for men since 1974 is 54.8 per cent, women got 62.7 per cent.

dying days of the Labour Government to deal with tricky pay claims.

Clegg is due to report his findings on teachers' salaries by the end of next month. The rises will account for two of the three-monthly alterations in pay packets. The others are the annual October incremental rises, and, to compound confusion upon uncertainty, the results of next April's pay claim.

Teachers' salary negotiations are

invariably complicated. But in the long and tortuous history of the Burnham Committee which is supposed to decide these things, there has never arisen the present situation when the teachers are about to embark on drafting their 1980 pay claim before the 1979 demand has been settled.

How this has come about would make a good subject for a modern equivalent of a Gilbert and Sullivan

operetta, were it not for the fact that the participants are so serious; the teachers want money and the employers—local authorities—can't afford much.

There have been light moments in the 11 months since James Callaghan's famous "I am a member of the God and Mammon" speech. Meetings were switched between the home of God and Mammon, there were verbal punches between union officials and now a pay claim has been brought in to make some sense of it all.

Inter-union friction gives bitter edge to a complicated dispute

Last January the National Union of Teachers, after hitting loudly that teachers' pay was now 30 per cent below its 1974 level, produced its official claim for a minimum of 35 per cent rises. No final figure was produced because both employers and teachers were waiting for the results of their joint working party which was investigating the decline in pay since 1974, the year of the Houghton report which recommended, and eventually gave large rises.

Since Houghton, government pay policy in its various forms had restricted salary awards to such an extent that up to 40 per cent was needed to catch up. When the working party reported in February it was alleged that there was an overall 21.2 per cent shortfall in salaries between April, 1974, and April, 1978. This was based on an examination of the salaries index for manual workers supplied by the Department of Employment.

Referring to the figure of April, 1978, but using the index of average earnings, it was found that the total shortfall was 36.5 per cent. If different indices were used, various shortfalls could be calculated, but the working party was of the opinion that the 31.2 per cent was correct.

The report was agreed by both sides of the working party, and received, but not agreed by Burnham. It was placed in the armoury of weapons to be deployed by the teachers alongside the agreement from the management that Houghton salaries were to be restored.

This agreement, concluded in March last year, confirmed the management's wholehearted commitment to Houghton but qualified it with a clause—inserted in the Government's insistence—that stated that the speed with which the management moved depended on the economic circumstances.

At the time, the agreement and the actual shortfall in teachers' pay—36.5 per cent—Fred Jarvis, general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, committed the teachers' panel of the Burnham Committee to go for that, and not a penny less. There was opposition from the National Association of Schoolmasters-Union of Women Teachers and the National Association of Head Teachers but the NUT's overall majority on the panel, plus the support of the other unions, won the day.

Although the NAS-UTW and NAPT did not dispute the accuracy of the claim, they disagreed with the timing and believed that any attempt to get nearly 40 per cent

in one go would not be supported by either teachers or the public, let alone be accepted by the employers.

So, on March 7 the claim was presented. The management's offer was 8 per cent, about the going rate then for settlements. But trouble was obviously expected. On the same day, the Labour Government announced the establishment of the standing commission on pay comparability and referred local authority, university, manual workers, National Health Service auxiliary staff, ambulance men and university technicians to it.

The Government was aware that teachers would be demanding much more than the 5 per cent then laid down as acceptable. It was aware some months earlier and Mr Roy Walker, the DES under-secretary responsible for salaries, had been in touch with Mr Jarvis in January to sound out the idea of a comparability exercise. He was told it was not on.

But six weeks later comparability was being raised again by Mr John Horrell, leader of the management panel. After rejecting the 36.5 per cent claim he suggested that the whole business should be referred to the Clegg Commission. There then followed eight more meetings of the Burnham Committee held variously in the London YMCA, Church House and the Rembrandt Hotel. Eight meetings during which there was the General Election, the return of a Conservative Government and incessant fighting between the NUT and NAS-UTW over what should be done. The management's offer was upped by 1 per cent early on, but no one took any notice of it.

The difficult negotiations were over, the NUT's determination to go to the Clegg Commission if the terms of reference were right and the NAS-UTW's insistence that arbitration was the only way.

Disagreement spilled out into the open in the marble lobby of Church House on April 11 during a more than 12-hour session of Burnham. Members were clearly becoming frayed and the hall echoed to accusations of "fall-out" and "sabotage" by Mr Jarvis and Mr Terry Clegg, general secretary of the NAS-UTW, met at the foot of the stairs. The union boss was far apart as they have ever been before. The row lay the management's insistence that Clegg should complete the conditions of service with the rates of other workers and the teachers' fear that such long holidays short hours and good pensions would be used against them.

On April 24, Mr Casey walked out of Burnham in disgust at Mr Jarvis' continued attempts to get acceptable terms of reference.

It now became clear that the Government did not want Clegg consider Houghton without accepting it against conditions of service. The management decided in February that if a comparability commission was set up, teachers should be forced to go to it.

It was estimated privately that arbitration would result in a 25 per cent rise. If that happened the Government had the choice of accepting or overturning the teachers' were not militant. To disprove the Government's management's view that there was no fighting spirit among teachers, the NAS-UTW instructed its members to work no more than 10 hours a day.

Eventually the management offered a sweetener to the union. They could have the 9 per cent immediately as a preliminary payment of whatever Clegg recommended, they could have an 0.3 per cent to clear up anomalies and there would be a week long pay freeze. Mr Jarvis demanded £2,500 for all. The meeting was adjourned for the weekend, and the chair ruled that he would send the NAS-UTW to arbitration if agreement was not reached by 12.30 pm on May 1.

On that Monday morning the NAS-UTW, writing a letter from the management that conclusions could be negotiated even sent to arbitration if there was disagreement, the management proved its sweetener—this £1 a week to all teachers, and a further £100,000 to be used at the discretion of the management at the discretion of the management.

The management, now confident they could get the teachers to go to Clegg, put a bit more sugar on the pill and made it £6 a week. The NAS-UTW, which had refused but against the Government's insistence, Clegg to move, undertakes a comparability exercise in the light of teachers' pay and conditions of employment. The commission was asked to report on the relevant principles and considerations relating to the teaching profession in the Houghton Report and the World Bank Report and to recommend the movement of salary levels since April 1974.

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John Gretton analyses the consequences and the Government's motives in fixing next year's RSG.

Greater control behind level of grant

The Government is expected to mount a holding operation in the Rate Support Grant announcement today that will pave the way for increased control of local spending. This is at the heart of its reform of the grant system for 1980 onwards.

In particular, it will impose a disguised cut in the level of its support for local spending, but in such a way as to put the blame for any subsequent cuts or rate increases on to local authorities themselves, and it will freeze at last year's levels the share of grant going to shire halls and town halls.

The measures expected to be announced include the following:

- The local spending considered "relevant" for the purpose of calculating the level of government support will be pegged on the basis of what authorities are reckoned to have spent last year (1978-79) when councils were planning for a modest increase in spending. Much of that will already have been committed, so that authorities will either have to finance it entirely from the rates, or make damaging cuts in areas financially easier to axe.

- The Government will peg support at 61 per cent, the same as last year. At one time it was considering reducing the figure by several percentage points, which would have amounted to a clear call to local authorities to reduce their spending or put up the rates.

Anxious to avoid bearing the responsibility for subsequent rate increases, the Government has opted for imposing cuts through the backdoor.

The amount local authorities receive to compensate them for inflation is expected to be a figure that would accommodate public sector wage increases no larger than the 13.5 per cent recently awarded to the police. In fact, prices are now running at nearly 20 per cent above what they were this time last year. Any cash limit that does not take account of that will impose a mammoth additional burden on local authorities.

This is nothing new. Ever since cash limits were introduced by a Labour Government in November 1975, they have been used as a disguised form of cut in the level of RSG. This was particularly true last year, when cash limits were fixed at an unrealistically low level to take account of the then Government's general wages norm of 5 per cent.

Next year's rate increases could therefore be as high as 40 per cent. They will be taking account of this year's cutback in grant, some of last year's, and the increased spending plans local authorities were encouraged to make.

● The Government is expected to announce a freeze on the way the grant is distributed between authorities. Under the increasingly complicated formula, based mainly on the cost per client of providing particular services, the grant has been increasingly gone to the higher spending metropolitan authorities, including London. The result has been that over the next five years, the mainly Conservative shire counties have, in some sense, "lost" out to the tune of up to £400 million.

This trend is impossible to reverse under the present formula. However, it is possible to freeze the distribution at last year's percentages (roughly, 50 for the shire counties, just under 30 for metropolitan districts and just over 20 for London). It is also possible to increase the amount known as "clawback" to compensate for the exceptionally high rateable values in the capital. The signs are that the Government will do just that.

The combination of all these measures will have dire consequences for education. Local authorities and central government will now be combining to present electors with a stark choice: "either we slash education further, or you pay for it with massive rate increases."

Thus, ever since the cuts of 1976-77, local authorities have tended to cut education even more than successive governments' spending plans allowed for. This year, the Government has made this even easier in three ways: in its spending plans, it has slashed the level of order at the expense of education; it has slashed 15 per cent off capital spending on education; and it has pointed to school meals, transport and higher education as areas where charges could be raised.

The effect could be accentuated by the proposals for a unitary grant which the Government wants to introduce next time round. However, in order to calculate how much total grant each authority needs, it will have to determine, unilaterally, how much each individual authority needs to spend. This could enable the Government to insist, for example, that authorities spend the amount allocated to them for education in the total. It could also be used to penalize the more generous authorities.

Foreign students fee rise 'ham-fisted'

by Bert Lodge

The government's decision to push up foreign students fees was described as ham-fisted at the Euro-Council of International Schools conference last week. The most likely outcome would be a rapid drop in new foreign students and in university income said Mr Stuart MacLure, editor of *The Times Educational Supplement*.

The government's ungenerous gesture managed to exploit two of the more discreditable prejudices; those against students and foreigners. "It was only the fact that it was a way of saving money," said Mr MacLure. "It is a neat £100 million cut which can be presented to the xenophobic public as being at the expense of sponging foreigners while leaving all the headaches and the odium with the universities."

"The Government maintains that

British universities are so good that people will be delighted to pay from £2,000 to £5,000 a year for undergraduate fees and what could be larger sums for post-graduate courses. The universities are deeply worried by the uncertainty hanging over them. What is certain is that their income is to be cut over three years by 13 per cent—the percentage of the overseas students—but there is no evidence that the market will take this massive price rise in its stride."

The marginal drop in student numbers would not yield anything like sufficient cost savings to cancel out the drop in income. This enforced parochialism would make universities poorer places and indigenous and foreign students would suffer.

Sex book wins TES award

A sex education book has won *The Times Educational Supplement's* senior Information Book Award for 1979. Make It Happy, by Jane Cousins, published by Virago at £2.95, was described by the judges as "witty upon occasions, wholesome, classless, sometimes moving in its simplicity, gentle and honest in its intentions".

The book, with line drawings by Susan Hunter, looks at psychological and physiological development, at contraception and pregnancy, at homosexuality, venereal disease and rape, and laws on matters relating to sex.

The Junior Information Book Award has been won by *The Common Frog*, a photographic study by George Bernard of Oxford Scientific Films, published by G. Whizzard/André Deutsch at £3.95. The book reveals the creature's developmental

cycles in full-colour photography. Mr Stuart MacLure, Editor of the *TES*, yesterday presented prizes of £150 each to Jane Cousins and George Bernard. Judges for the senior award were Valerie Alderson, a prominent reviewer of children's books; Edward Blighen, writer and novelist; and Charles Stuart-Jervis, head of Abbey Wood Comprehensive School and author of many educational books; and Mr MacLure.

The junior award judges were Ralph Lavender, Essex County Inspector for primary education and author of a practical guide for teachers on traditional stories; Peggy Teckles, assistant county librarian for Berkshire; Henry Pluckrose, head of Prior Weston primary school and author of many educational books; and Mr MacLure.

Study and activity weeks at Duporth Centre, Cornwall, April 1980

The Duporth Centre, situated by one of the most picturesque bays in Cornwall and set in a wooded 39 acre estate, will be open weeks commencing 12th and 19th April, 1980 for groups of children over the age of 14 engaged in special studies or activities under the supervision of their teachers.

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Cuts, Cuts, Cuts

The fullest survey yet of the cuts—the real cuts—local authorities have made and will make in their education services. On the following pages *TES* reporters explore which educational areas will be hardest hit by economies, and look particularly at the agonies of Avon

What has happened to education since the Conservatives took office in May 1979? How far have local authorities got with their plans for 1980-81?

Education cuts have provoked emotions and strong protests. These make it difficult to distinguish facts from fears. It is possible, however, to set down clearly the extent of the cuts so far made—the cuts which affect 1979-80—1980-81 (less clearly) how plans are shaping for the year 1980-81 which begins next April.

The current year (1979-80):

The 1979-80 cuts stem from Sir Geoffrey Howe's Budget speech of June 12. In it he announced savings of £2,000m.

Local authorities received a circular four weeks later spelling out what the cuts meant for them. The Chancellor's fork had three prongs:

● A cut of £300m from what would have been paid out to cover inflation for the year 1979-80.

● Local authorities asked to cut £300m—about 3 per cent—from "the level of current expenditure envisaged in the Rate Support Grant Settlement".

● No guarantee that the Rate Support Grant would be increased to cover the Clegg awards.

These cuts (leaving aside the un-

add up to a call for cuts to the value of £500m-£800m from local government as a whole. Education accounts for about half the total, so if the cuts were spread proportionally across all services, education would have to find £250m-£400m.

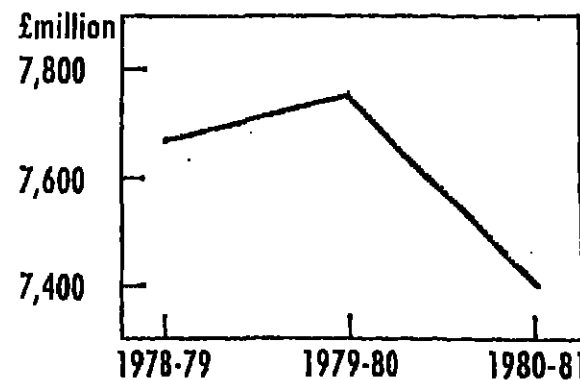
As the table shows, the actual local authority education cuts for 1979-80 add to a much smaller sum of about £100m in England and Wales, and £10m in Scotland.

The discrepancy between what the Chancellor asked for and what he got is wide enough to raise major doubts about the credibility of set-piece public statements about national expenditure. Some, like Kent, like Kent, concluded that by mid-summer it was too late to change their plans. Others, like Oxfordshire, decided that having cut deep in previous years, they could not cut more.

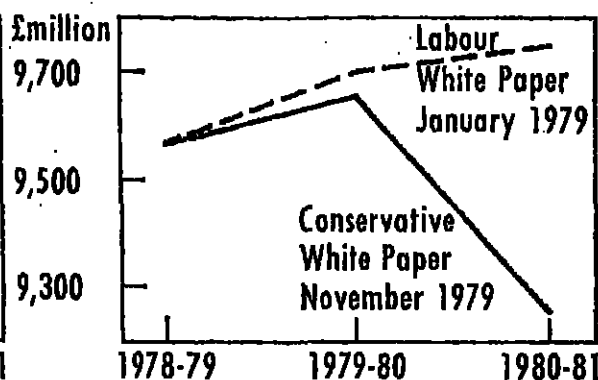
others, like Newham, have chosen to defy the Government as a political gesture and are waiting to see what Mr Heseltine is going to do about it.

Next year (1980-81):

The Government's aim is to reduce education spending for 1980-81 to a level 31 per cent below the 1978-79 figure.



Local authority current expenditure on education, libraries and arts in Great Britain (£million), 1979 Constant Survey Prices. Source: Cmnd 7746, November 1979, Table 3.



All public spending on education and science, arts and libraries in Great Britain, 1979 Constant Survey Prices. Spending plans in Cmnd 7746 only take account of the reduction of central government spending in 1979-80. The 3 per cent reduction called for in local authority current spending by Circular 4/79 has not been incorporated. If that target is achieved the 1979-80 figure would be £9,424m.

The Budget announced the following reductions:

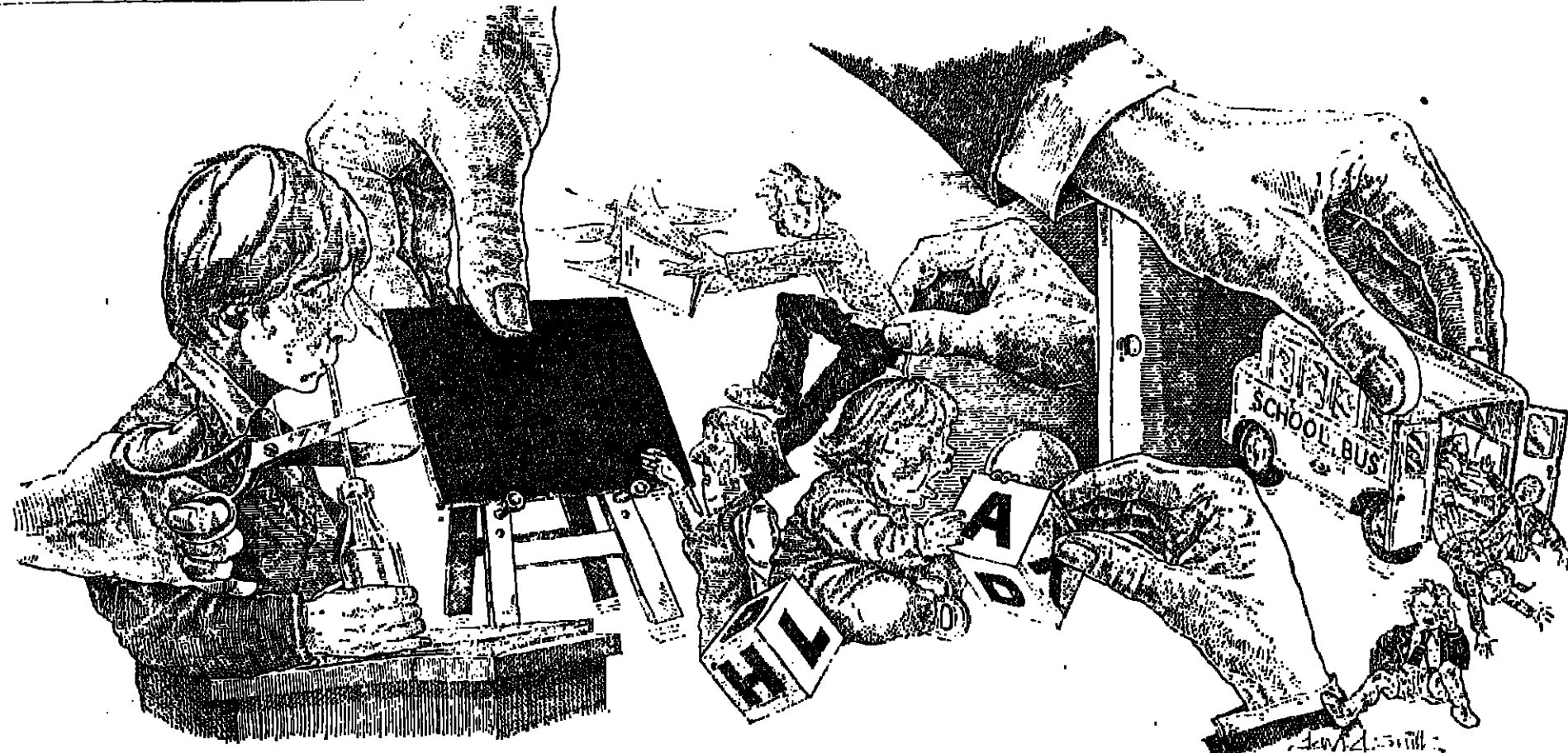
Not introducing educational maintenance allowance pilot scheme
Reduction of improvement and new building programmes
Fees for overseas students
Reduction in recurrent grant to universities, etc.
Reductions in mandatory awards in line with lower forecast numbers
Reduction in medical school building programme
Not creating 2 Advanced FE Councils plus other items
Reduction of grants to research councils

Plus:
School meals charge to increase in September 1979 by 5p to 30p

MSC expenditure:
VOP
Community Industry
STPS
TOPS

Further reductions are expected when the results of the Civil Service manpower cuts are announced at the end of the month. Total: Education and Training, 1979-80

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NORTH TYNSIDE 1979-80 £880,000 (3%). Reducing contingency plans for 5% but could be more severe after RSG. 1980-81

OLDHAM £900,000 (1%). Half from financing of in-service training by external institution, saving on furniture, half from manpower savings. 1980-81

ROCHDALE £200,000 (0.8%). Freeze of educational welfare development, reduction of in-service training and deferment of replacement furniture and interior decoration. 1980-81

ROTHESBAM £853,750 (2%). "No change" budget being prepared. 1980-81

ST HELENS £225,000 (0.7%). No decisions. 1980-81

SALFORD £1,217m (approx 3%). No plans. 1980-81

SANDWELL No cuts. Freezing non-teaching and staff vacancies. 1980-81

SEFTON No cuts. Freezing non-teaching and staff vacancies. 1980-81

SHEFFIELD £553,300 (0.5%). Two-thirds in existing services. Remainder not implementing expansion. 1980-81

SOUTH TYNSIDE £553,300 (0.5%). Two-thirds in existing services. Remainder not implementing expansion. 1980-81

STOCKPORT No cuts. Freezing non-teaching and staff vacancies. 1980-81

SUNDERLAND £850,000 (1.7%). No decision until January. Estimates being prepared. 1980-81

TAMERIDE No figures given, 10% cut in supplies, small fee increase in adult education and a no-redundancy policy until mid-1982. 1980-81

TRAFFORD £36,000 (2.8%). The first third of a planned two year reduction of £2.3m. 1980-81

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WIGAN 1979-80 No cuts. Accidental circumstances produced some economies. 1980-81 Considering 5%, 7% and 10%.

WIRRAL £250,000 (0.5%). No cuts. 1980-81 Considering 5%.

WOLVERHAMPTON No cuts. 1980-81 No plans for cuts.

London: £12.92m 1979-80 No specific target saving in education. Drawing on balances. No inflation adjustment mid-year. Reviewing appointments. 1980-81 Considering which sectors should have inflation built in on 79-80 budget.

BARKING No specific target saving in education. Drawing on balances. No inflation adjustment mid-year. Reviewing appointments. 1980-81 Considering which sectors should have inflation built in on 79-80 budget.

BARNET £460,000 (1.2%). No decisions. 1980-81

NEWS

Where the councils are saving

Teachers

1979-80
Redundancies: Avon, 4; Trafford, equivalent of 45 full-time posts. Additional teachers not appointed: Wiltshire, 49; Haringey, 40; Gwent, 30; Derbyshire, 24; Staffordshire, Western Isles, 10.
Natural wastage, redeployment, early retirement: Avon, 402; Hampshire, 400; Humberside, 185; Wiltshire, 162; Surrey, 95; Durham, 70.
Savings: Doncaster, £239,000; Oldham, £150,000; Sunderland, £100,000; North Tyne-side, £60,000; Borders, £56,000.
1980-81
Anticipated loss of posts: Coventry, 240; Ealing, 200; Sheffield, 180; Northamptonshire, 125 secondary; Bedfordshire, 100 primary; Bexley, 33 nursery; Dudley, 33; Solihull, 17.

Capitation

1979-80
30 per cent cut: Gwent (primary), 20 per cent: Lincolnshire, Rotherham.
18 per cent: Salop.
15 per cent: Cumbria, Doncaster.
11 per cent: Brent (Secondary).
10 per cent: Avon, Bedfordshire, Bromley, Clwyd, Dudley, Gwent (secondary), Hampshire, Herefordshire, Solihull, Trafford; Warwickshire, 71 per cent: North Yorkshire, 7 per cent: Birmingham.
6 per cent: Barnet, Brent (primary), Derbyshire, Dorset.
5 per cent: Buckinghamshire, Wiltshire.
1980-81
10 per cent: Bedfordshire, Coventry, Gateshead, Solihull.
5 per cent: Bexley.

Nursery

1979-80
No expansion: Avon; North Tyne-side; Staffordshire; Suffolk.
Staff cut: Nottinghamshire; Sheffield.
New admissions on part-time basis:

West Glamorgan.
Building programme deferred: Brent.

1980-81
No expansion: Bexley; Coventry; Humberside; Redbridge.
Staff cut: Bolton; Gwent.
Admissions on part-time basis: Coventry.

Further education

1979-80
Discretionary awards cut: Avon; Bexley; Bromley; Enfield; Doncaster; Sheffield; Suffolk; Wakefield.
Appointments cut: Buckinghamshire; Dyfed; Gwynedd; Enfield.
Savings: Staffordshire, £633,000; Bradford and Hampshire, £250,000; Enfield, £236,000; Nottinghamshire, £225,000; Surrey, £120,000; Bexley, £80,000; Isle of Wight and Wakefield, £40,000; Rotherham and Sunderland, £10,000.

1980-81
Discretionary awards cut: Cambridgeshire; Ealing; Gateshead; Richmond; Solihull.
Savings in college refectories: Avon; Cambridgeshire.
Estimated savings: Staffordshire, £1.3m; Coventry, £144,000; Bedfordshire, £125,000.

Adult education

1979-80
Fees up: Bradford; Brent; Bromley; Buckinghamshire; Clwyd; Coventry; Cumbria; Derbyshire; Doncaster; Ealing; East Sussex; Essex; Haringey; Leicestershire; Norfolk; North Tyne-side; Northumberland; Nottinghamshire; Powys; St Helens; Salford; Salop; Sheffield; Solihull; South Glamorgan; Staffordshire; Trafford; Warwickshire; West Sussex.
Cuts in classes: Bradford; Doncaster; Durham; Dyfed; Hampshire; Humberside; North Yorkshire; Nottinghamshire; Trafford; Warwickshire; West Glamorgan.

Meals

1979-80
Savings: Durham, £200,000; Gwynedd, £143,000; Rotherham, £96,000; Barnet, Nottinghamshire, £80,000; Staffordshire, £70,000; Bradford, £58,000; Enfield, Surrey, £50,000.
Cafeteria type meals: Avon; Buckinghamshire; West Sussex.
Savings from substitute foods: Bromley; Lincolnshire; Powys.
Unit cost per meal reduced: Devon; Salop; Warwickshire.
1980-81
Most authorities looking to the legislation.
Estimated savings: Northamptonshire, £2.3m; Staffordshire, Norfolk, £2. Bedfordshire, £1.5m; Lincolnshire, £1.6m; Clwyd, £500,000; Redbridge, £700,000; Bolton, £250,000.
Cafeteria type meals being considered: Ealing; Hampshire.

Transport
1979-80
Returning to statutory requirements: Derbyshire; Northumberland; Nottinghamshire; Powys; Wakefield.
Concessionary transport limited: Avon; Doncaster.

1980-81
Most authorities looking to the legislation.
Estimated savings: £48,000 (Redbridge); £116,000 (Rochdale).

Other

1979-80
Holiday changed: Devon; Isle of Wight; Wiltshire.
Youth Service savings: Cumbria; Doncaster; Dudley; Lincolnshire; Rotherham; Salford; Suffolk; Sunderland; Wakefield.
1980-81
Savings on advertising vacancies: Rochdale.

Adult education

On the brink of extinction

Spending on adult education is being hit so hard that there is a fear it could virtually cease to exist unless steps are taken to safeguard it.

Many local authorities are using it to bear the brunt of the cuts, and in some parts of the country non-vocational classes have been withdrawn completely. Sharp fee increases, restricted use of premises and closure of centres are widespread.

In Humberside all classes by part-time tutors have been withdrawn until April 1980, to make a saving of £500,000. This leaves only a handful of classes still running, and means most rural areas now have no adult education at all. This is described as a temporary suspension, but the National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education and the Association for Adult and Continuing Education fear it may be permanent.

Questions have been raised about the legality of cuts by authorities such as Humberside and Hampshire, where non-vocational classes are to close down over the winter months. Under section 41 of the Education Act authorities must make adequate provision for adult education. But it is difficult to determine when provision becomes inadequate, which could only be tested in the courts.

Legal action is being considered by some organizations—NATFHE has written to the Secretary of State asking him to take action, under sections 68 and 99 of the Act, to ensure that authorities fulfil their statutory requirement. ACACE has also written to Mr Carlisle pointing out that policy decisions now being taken by some author-

ties are a move back to before the 1944 Act.

"We are deeply concerned about the differing responses of local authorities to the cuts," says Dr Richard Hoggart, who is chairman of ACACE.

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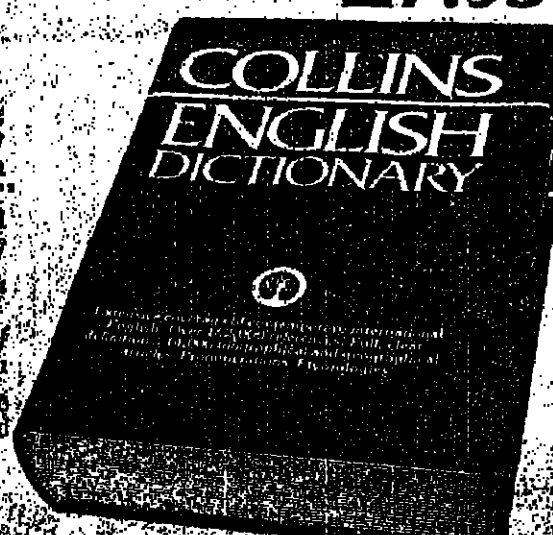
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Where the councils are saving

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1979-80
Redundancies: Avon, 4; Trafford, 4; equivalent of 45 full-time posts. Additional teachers not appointed: 14; Haringey, 40; Gwent, 30; Derbyshire, 24; Staffordshire, Western Isles, 10.
Natural wastage, redeployment, early retirement: Avon, 402; Hampshire, 400; Humber, 185; Wiltshire, 162; Surrey, 95; Durham, 70.
Savings: Doncaster, £319,000; Oldham, £150,000; Sunderland, £100,000; North Tyneside, £60,000; Borders, £56,000.
1980-81
Anticipated loss of posts: Coventry, 240; Ealing, 200; Sheffield, 180; Northamptonshire, 125 secondary; Bedfordshire, 100 primary; Bexley, 33 nursery; Dudley, 33; Solihull, 17.

Capitation

1979-80
30 per cent cut: Gwent (primary).
20 per cent: Lincolnshire, Rotham.
18 per cent: Solihull.
15 per cent: Cumbria, Doncaster.
11 per cent: Brent (secondary).
10 per cent: Avon, Bedfordshire, Bromley, Croydon, Gwent (secondary), Hampshire, Harfordshire, Solihull, Trafford; Warwick.
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Nursery

1979-80
No expansion: Avon; North Tyneside; Staffordshire; Suffolk.
Staff cut: Nottinghamshire; Sheffield.
New admissions on part-time basis:

West Glamorgan.
Building programme deferred: Brent.
1980-81
No expansion: Bexley; Coventry; Humber; Redbridge.
Staff cut: Bolton; Gwent.
Admissions on part-time basis: Coventry.

Further education

1979-80
Discretionary awards cut: Avon; Bexley; Bromley; Enfield; Doncaster; Sheffield; Suffolk; Wakefield.
Appointments cut: Buckinghamshire; Dyfed; Gwynedd; Enfield.
Savings: Staffordshire, £633,000; Bradford and Hampshire £250,000; Enfield £236,000; Nottinghamshire £225,000; Surrey £120,000; Bexley £80,000; Isle of Wight and Wakefield £40,000; Rotherham and Sunderland £10,000.

1980-81
Discretionary awards cut: Cambridgeshire; Ealing; Gateshead; Richmond; Solihull.
Savings in college refectories: Avon; Cambridgeshire.
Estimated savings: Staffordshire £1.3m; Coventry £144,000; Bedfordshire £125,000.

Adult education

1979-80
Fees up: Bradford; Brent; Bromley; Buckinghamshire; Croydon; Coventry; Cumbria; Derbyshire; Doncaster; Ealing; East Sussex; Essex; Haringey; Leicestershire; Norfolk; North Tyneside; Northumberland; Nottinghamshire; Powys; St Helens; Salford; Salop; Sheffield; Solihull; South Glamorgan; Staffordshire; Trafford; Warwickshire; West Sussex.
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Meals

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Cafeteria type meals: Avon; Buckinghamshire; West Sussex.
Savings from substitute foods: Bromley; Lincolnshire; Powys.
Unit cost per meal reduced: Devon; Salop; Warwickshire.
1980-81
Most authorities looking to the legislation.
Estimated savings: Northamptonshire £2.5m; Staffordshire, Norfolk £2; Bedfordshire £1.5m; Lincolnshire £1.6m; Croydon £900,000; Redbridge £700,000; Bolton £250,000.
Cafeteria type meals being considered: Ealing; Hampshire.

Transport

1979-80
Returning to statutory requirements: Derbyshire; Northumberland; Nottinghamshire; Powys; Wakefield.
Concessionary transport limited: Avon; Doncaster.
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Estimated savings: £48,000 (Redbridge); £116,000 (Rochdale).

Other

1979-80
Holiday changed: Devon; Isle of Wight; Wiltshire.
Youth Service savings: Cumbria; Doncaster; Dudley; Lincolnshire; Rotherham; Salford; Suffolk; Sunderland; Wakefield.
1980-81
Savings on advertising vacancies: Rochdale.

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On the brink of extinction

Spending on adult education is being hit so hard that there is a fear it could virtually cease to exist unless steps are taken to safeguard it.
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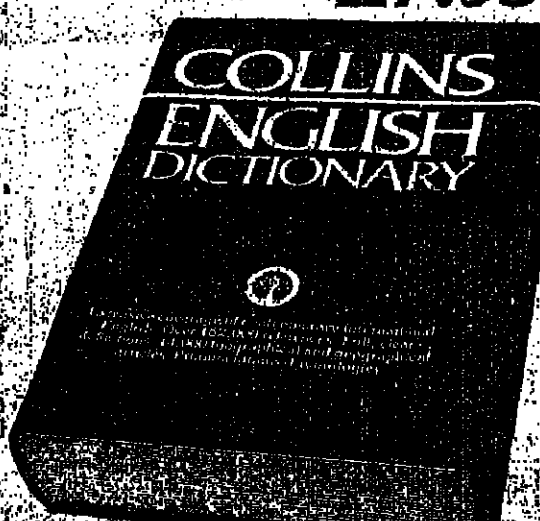
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Higher education

Cool breeze in academe

Applications from overseas students are down 10 per cent on last year. Applications to study theology are well up.

Are these UCCA statistics for 1980 signs of the chill wind advancing on the groves of academe? The June budget reduced the universities' recurrent grant by £8m, student awards by £7m and medical school capital grants by £3m. Building programmes for polytechnics were cut by almost £1m and for universities by £400,000. Voluntary colleges and the Open University had grants reduced by £1m.

Disunity was caused when a cut of £1.5m in the Social Science Research Council budget resulted in the withdrawal of grants from 450 postgraduate students. And universities still do not know what their share will be of the £411m cut in educational spending announced for 1980-81 in this month's Expenditure White Paper.

In October came the announcement that from next year students from overseas will have to pay the full cost of their courses: in universities a minimum £2,000 for arts, £3,000 for sciences while potential doctors, dentists and vets will pay £5,000 a year. The fees in polytechnics will be about 10 per cent higher.

The University Grants Committee warned universities in August to expect having to take 6 per cent fewer students next year. The developments have already led to some sword-sharpening on the other side of the binary line. Dr Patrick Nutgens, director of Leeds polytechnic, suggested to the Higher Education Conference in September that some universities would artificially increase their intake this year in order to be left with correspondingly more students when the cuts start biting next year.

The universities still do not know how big their purse is for the current year. This is because the £174m allocated to them by the previous Government assumed a rate of inflation only about half of the current 17 per cent; and it assumed lecturers' salaries would only go up by about 5 per cent.

In fact in the pay talks the Association of University Teachers is currently having with universities an increase of 30 per cent is being sought. Yet until the universities know how big their "topping-up" grant is to be—usually given in April to compensate for unforeseen extra expenditure—they cannot negotiate in any meaningful way.

The view from Avon

Sandra Hempel on what the cuts mean for one council

A half-day strike by 4,000 NUT members and a protest rally in Bristol of trades unionists and parents this week expressed opposition to Avon's plans to slice an immediate £4m from its proposed £106m budget for this year.

The £4m saving represents a direct cut of £3,250,000, with another £250,000 to be saved by not allowing for inflation except for salaries and fuel. It comes against a background of education cuts in Avon dating back to 1973, of which the last was a £2m cut three years ago. The authority's policy of early retirement for teachers was taken up by 73 people last term and another 77 during the current term.

The latest economies will be felt throughout the education service, including primary and secondary schools and adult education. They affect staffing, capitation and ancillary subjects such as swimming and music. The critics say this represents an undermining of the whole basis of the education system in Avon. The authority says the cuts are the result of a detailed study to find every way savings can be made while still protecting the quality of education.

The measures taken so far include an across-the-board 10 per cent cut in capitation with no provision for inflation, the abolition of a planned reintroduction of provision for rising five-year-olds; the abolition of travel subsidies for over 16s; cuts in maintenance programmes and some services such as window cleaning; cuts in spending on school meals, lavatories through the introduction of cafeteria systems; increased charges for adult education from 22p to 30p an hour; and cuts in swimming sessions and field study subsidies.

Much of the controversy, however, has centred on redundancies. The NUT originally predicted that many teachers would lose their jobs when the education committee announced it was cutting 406 out of a total of 7,800 by the end of the year. If the authority hoped its recent announcement of only four redundancies—the rest coming through early retirement and redeployment—would take some of the heat out of the situation, it has been sorely mistaken.

NUT members are refusing to cover for missing colleagues and have announced they will not cooperate in the proposed timetable changes following the job losses. The union is demanding an early meeting between its national officers and the education department under its director, Mr Geoffrey Crump. Mr Crump agreed to the meeting but no date has yet been fixed.

A minor mystery surrounds the identity of the redundant four. The NUT representative says he has been unable to discover who they are, and the education department

will not publish their names. They are believed to be teachers who, for reasons such as illness, are not engaged in classroom teaching, although they are officially listed and paid as teachers.

The job argument in Avon turns on the question of staff/pupil ratios. The education authority claims that, because of falling pupil enrolments, some schools were over-staffed. Its policy, it claims, amounts to no more than a strict adherence to long-standing staff/pupil ratios. It is not an argument which finds favour with the NUT county division secretary, Mr John Pearce, who claims that the small number of redundancies and the falling enrolments argument is merely a smoke

screen for serious and long-term damage to Avon's education system. "The fact that only four teachers have been made redundant doesn't alter the fact that over 300 teaching jobs will be lost," Mr Pearce said.

"Rolls have fallen in some schools, though by no means all, and we have been co-operating in some redeployment, but the authority obviously considered these jobs that are now threatened were necessary when it budgeted for them in the first place. Their claim that it will have no effect is simply not true."

What will happen, Mr Pearce believes, is that all the present provisions for pupils with special needs will go. The teachers needed to cope with smaller groups such as remedial classes, literacy programmes

dial classes, literacy programmes, sixth-form studies will no longer be available.

"The service will become staffed because there will be no flexibility. Teachers will do their best because this is their nature. It is always possible to keep going but it won't be at the level that the professionals would wish or at which parents and pupils have become accustomed. We are in danger of degrading the service in the eyes of the children."

The claim that Avon is underpinning its education service is strongly denied by Mr Crump. "We looked at the whole service and tried to find every possible area where cuts could be made while keeping the impact on education to the absolute minimum," Mr Crump said. "The jobs cuts are simply to fall in line with the drop in numbers of pupils. It won't affect the quality or the range of the education given. We shall, for example, continue to place emphasis on caring for the needs of remedial pupils."

The NUT view is that not only the decision taken but also the speed of its implementation will mean a complete disruption of the academic year. Some heads are rewriting their timetables for the Easter term and this, many teachers believe, will have disastrous results, particularly for pupils in the middle of examination courses.

With the publication of the latest Government White Paper, the question of areas of additional savings arises. Mr Crump says it is far too early to anticipate the authority's plans for making the further cuts which will be demanded. That cannot be done, he says, until the exact nature of the legislation is known.

Some of Mr Crump's critics fear that his department will be too ready to comply to the full with the spirit of government thinking over the question of milk, meal and transport charges. Already many parents are worried about a rumoured doubling of meal charges to 50p a day, and although Avon does not have the remote regions of Cornwall or parts of Scotland, many children are bussed to school. Although the average distance is about 14 miles and the maximum about four, transport costs remain a cause for parental concern.

Mr John Tavener, a building worker, and his wife say they will keep their children at home rather than pay any transport charges. The local authority might impose their eight year old daughter Mandy goes to Ubley Primary School 14 miles away, and they rely on school buses.

The Avon authority now plans to take the falling enrolments argument one stage further. It is now looking at closing down schools—mainly secondary schools close to towns.



Ubley Primary School: transport costs are a major cause of concern.

Rewriting the timetable at an 'overstaffed' school

Hartcliffe School is a large comprehensive in a working class area in central Bristol. It has 1,928 pupils and 112 staff. It has already lost six staff members since last year because of falling enrolments and now faces the possibility of losing another four.

Mr Robert Povey, an NUT representative, believes that these cuts will have serious repercussions on the school and the quality of education it offers. "The four teachers in question were given to us in the first place because Hartcliffe is a large school, on two separate sites and in a designated Education Priority Area," he said. "Now we are told we are over-staffed."

He thinks the cuts will result in the loss of 16 out of 25 remedial and literacy classes, and several sixth form classes as well. There is a sixth form with an average of 120 pupils, many of whom are doing O

level retakes, which Mr Povey believes makes it vulnerable to any staff cuts. "Any class that only attracts a few pupils is at risk," he said.

The headmaster at Hartcliffe has been asked to rewrite the school timetable, which Mr Povey and many of his colleagues say they will not help to implement. "It is a core curriculum," Mr Povey said. "Of course it's possible to teach the three Rs in classes of 40 pupils, but it is attacking the whole concept of mixed ability learning and of comprehensive schools."

In addition, Mr Povey says that the school is badly in need of maintenance work which will not be done. "Drains haven't been cleaned, broken windows aren't being replaced, the swimming pool is closed, and a heater has been shut and its books nailed over with sheets of polythene."

Supply teachers become the first casualties

Jane is a supply teacher in an Avon school. She did not intend to be a supply teacher. She did not know she was one until just before she arrived to take her job.

She replied to an advertisement when she left college last June. The job was on a short-term contract until Christmas, but she knew that teaching jobs were not so easy to get. She thought the Avon post was a way of getting experience which would possibly help her to get a permanent job with the authority. "She was told at the interview that there was a small possibility that the contract would be extended and she took the job when it was offered."

"Then I learnt that my job might not be ratified by the education authority because of the cuts and that I should go on looking for a job," she said. By the end of the contract, she had found nothing else, and I got a letter saying that the contract would be extended and she would only be taken on as a supply teacher. I wasn't aware of the implications until I arrived."

The implications of which Jane refers include the fact that supply teachers in Avon are not allowed to apply for contract jobs with the authority. The other drawbacks were that supply teachers are paid a month in arrears and so Jane had no money, and she is on one day's notice.

"It comes as a shock to realise that you just don't exist in the eyes of the authority. I think I may be kept off until Christmas but I don't know what I am going to do after that. I don't want to uproot and move again when I have only just settled here. I have been putting it out of my mind. It is a bit of putting it off, you could not be there tomorrow."

Jane says another teacher at the school is in the even more frustrating position of knowing that when the school job will be advertised, she will not be allowed to apply for it.

NEWS

Ragged-trouserred Conservative

Bert Lodge talks to Rhodes Boyson one-time Labour councillor



What happened along the way to that chap Boyson? This young lad days all chip fat and cobble streets and carrying his dad's tea to 'milk, billy-can swinging from his wrist. Boyson senior, union branch secretary and Haslingden's only Labour councillor, taking an eager sup, still in the bare foot favour for some jobs by the waste cotton spinners (none left now to unionise).

Sundays, young Rhodes despatched to chapel in best short-trousered suit, then back to a paragon warmed by a coal fire, and glowing with red-banner talk. Reminiscing now, 40 years on, a fierce affection for that knotty little mill town and his solitary socialist legislator floods through a voice as Lancashire as clops. Rhodes Boyson ought to have been the cotton trade's answer to Kyr Hardie.

Instead, there he is in the tiff-party. Nay, more, one of its darlings. Conservative MP for Brent North (Wembley, really) since 1974, junior minister for higher education since May, yet he used to be a Labour councillor. Why did he change?

"It's not us that's changed," (Who's us? George Brown? Reg Prentice? But John Major?) "It's parties that have changed. I'm a great believer in self-help. I can't see any social justice in old-age pensioners paying rates that go to subsidise tenants of council houses where there are two or three wages coming in. Or a woman staying at home to make a meal for her child while her husband's single wage subsidises other parents who are both working."

"On and another thing, I was disillusioned by the ineffectuality of the nationalised industries." Self-help. Plenty of it about in the Boyson curriculum vitae. Got his MA while teaching full time, running a youth club and sitting on the council, all leading to his

early first headship. But he needed a bit of help from his fish-frying aunt to get him over the first obstacle a bright lad from the work-place class faced in those days: a place in a grammar school. Young Rhodes failed the scholarship exam; Auntie offered to help with the fees.

It was money well spent. From the sixth form it was straight into the wartime navy (a petty officer at 19 he tells you with justifiable pride), demob from the East India Fleet in 1947 then Manchester University, politics, history and teacher training.

Now teaching is a topic on which he holds forthright views (and is entitled to have after over 20 years in the job). Actually, his views on anything are always forthright. He does not know how to be anything else. He refuses ever to be quoted anonymously.

Moreover, most doctors of whatever have this intellectual habit of backing away from anything that sounds like absolute truth by prefacing their remarks with "I should have thought..." I should have said...

"The conditional perfect used like that is a superfluous tense to Boyson. He comes in where it leaves off. "A good teacher can teach 50. A poor teacher can't teach one."

"A young teacher should start off apprenticed to an experienced teacher for a year. Let them see a skilled performer operating just as a distinguished surgeon operates with his students round him. And pay that teacher at senior teacher rate. Not for being out of the classroom as they do now but for being in it."

that they have two good A levels and English language and maths at O level when they come in. And I sometimes wonder whether it wouldn't be a bad idea for them to do a year in a school first for a taste of what they're committing themselves to."

The fashionable view of a few years ago that trainee teachers should mix with students of other disciplines never appealed to Boyson. So he favours the mono-technics "It's a good thing to bed down with people who are doing the job."

What then of the polytechnics? On his appointment in May the new minister freely admitted he had a lot to learn about them. But he is convinced they should have an applied product. "At present there are more students in them doing arts and sociology than we have in universities."

Let polys get back to being polys, he seems to be implying. Certainly in the first half of this decade they were enrolling more postgraduate students, more full-time and fewer part-time students had putting on more advanced and fewer non-advanced courses.

As for universities, Boyson believes their role is to preserve the academic tradition. But neither they nor the polytechnics must expect to be realisers of the Robbins dream. "As I understand it, this never did imply what some people claim: that every would-be student should be able to gain a place on the course and in the institution of his or her choice."

In any case, what we have in this country is an automatic escalator going up to higher education and people are afraid of getting off it. There are people up at university who never wanted to be there. I'd like to see many of the leaders to go up. Would he like to see students lent money instead of given it? "It's a long term consideration. Though remember Shirley Williams was looking into it."

Might not loans lead to fewer students living away from home? Would the Government welcome the resulting economies? Boyson hesitated as though he had not thought the matter worth a lot of previous thought. "Well, you could say, 'We'll give you a basic cost of living allowance and then if you want to live away it's up to you'."

"But you know the custom of students living away from home is based on the Oxford and Cambridge colleges where you live in halls and were taught in the evenings. Compare that with living in some dreary digs seven miles from the university."

"Glasgow has more students living at home than any other university in the country. That certainly hasn't lowered its reputation."

Dr Boyson warmed when the new Education Bill was mentioned; particularly its effects on parents. "I believe in parents' rights to say what goes on when their children are at school as head of Highbury Grove School, London. But he would not be drawn on whether it was his hand which had written these bits of the Bill."

"I'm delighted that there's now automatic recognition of free authority acceptance of a child from another. That should cut down the quebbles. That clause is particularly good for the denominational schools which will not be subject to any limits on recruitment. I'm strongly for those schools because I believe every child should be brought up in the faith of his forebears."

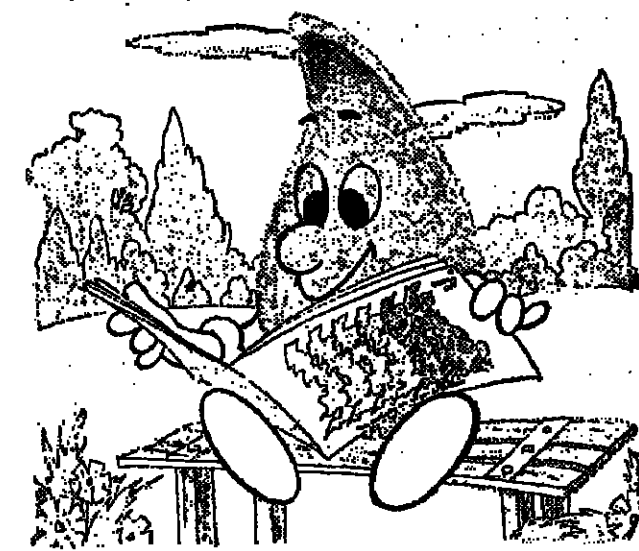
"And I'm delighted that parents' preferences is written into the Bill, with an appeals system to turn to, and information that has to be provided to help parents choose."

"What we've done is to decentralise power. That's something that needs doing if society is to survive. Is Dr Boyson still an advocate of corporal punishment? "If there are schools where the teachers decide they can't get along without it, it's well and good. And in schools where it is used all right, to long as the parents are informed in advance. But what we don't want are instructions about it being handed down from high-ups."

Had he in mind the directions of Sir Ashley Striped Pants, issuing from within the cushioned leathers of County Hall?

His eyes twinkled when he said: "I've been thinking about those generals who've retired from 10-miles behind the line. What's the point of a general who's retired from 10-miles behind the line? It's not been only a 12 only. He had not accepted a commission."

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A "national framework" of the core elements in the school curriculum is proposed in the Government's comments on the survey of local authority curriculum policies (circular 14/77) carried out for the last government.

The commentary says: "Not all authorities have a clear view of the desirable structure of the school curriculum, especially its core elements." After all the other curriculum reports and surveys of the past few years the time was ripe to draw the threads together to reach some measure of agreement.

"The Ministers concerned" believed they should seek to give a lead in the process of reaching a national consensus on a desirable framework for the curriculum and consider the development of such a framework a priority for the education service.

HM Inspectors have already been asked what they think should be included. Next year other interested bodies will be asked to comment on a draft version of the framework to be drawn up by the Department of Education and Science. After these consultations the DES expects to publish a revised version for the guidance of local education authorities and schools which would be subject to periodic review.

This advisory document and another statement that the Government does not intend to change the existing statutory relationships between the various partners in the education service (central government, local government, governors and teachers) suggest that at this stage at least the Government is not thinking of making the core curriculum compulsory. What it seems to have in mind is more in the nature of a "Manual of Guidance".

Nevertheless, says the commentary, Ministers do have a responsibility to "promote the education of people in England and Wales."

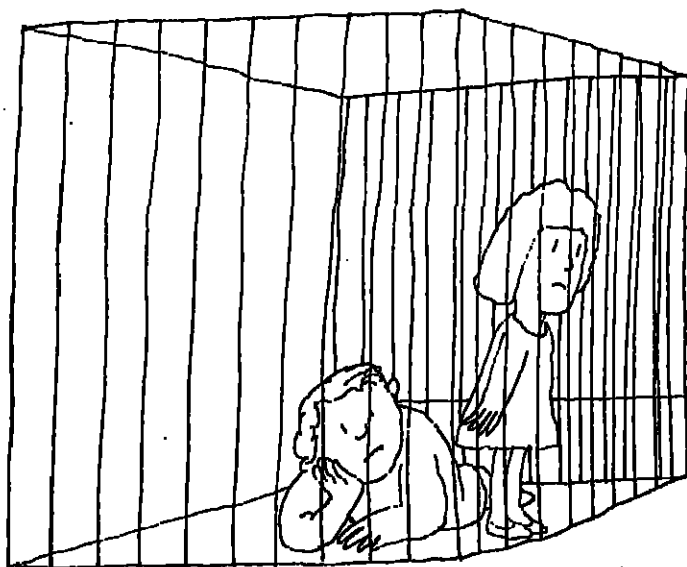
"This must involve an overall view of the content and quality of education seen from the standpoint of national policies and needs as well as the resources devoted to it. The Secretaries of State do not seek to determine in detail what the schools should teach or how it should be taught; but they have an inescapable duty to satisfy themselves that the work of the schools matches national needs. This task cannot be undertaken from the centre alone. The Government must bring together the partners in the education service and the interests of the community at large; and with them seek an agreed view of the school curriculum which would take account of the range of local needs and allow for local developments, drawing upon the varied skills and experience which all those concerned with the service can contribute."

The commentary draws no firm conclusions about what ought to be in the common curriculum. It notes the initiatives of some authorities in certain key areas of it, but says the surveys carried out by HM Inspectors and others suggest there are needs to be done in English, maths, modern languages, science, religious education and preparation for working life.

"The Secretaries of State would like to see improvement in a number of respects: English: There is a continuing need to extend good practice, and to give more help towards literacy to meet the requirements of the adult world.

Mathematics: Many authorities are already producing guidelines for their schools but continued emphasis is needed on developing the mathematical skills suited to the needs of an increasingly technological, employment-oriented society. There is some indication of a need for more cooperation among schools and between schools and colleges.

Modern Languages: There is a need for clear policies on the provision of modern languages in primary, middle and secondary schools. Such policies should be based on the availability of teachers. The dominant position of French gives rise to concern about the position of other major languages. Decisions about the ages at which children should start learning and the languages covered should be based on the availability of teachers. The Secretaries of State believe that there should be more emphasis on the teaching of modern languages in the light of the needs of the adult world.



Framework for a common curriculum

Bob Doe Reports

The Government believes an agreed common "framework" must be created for the 5 to 16 school curriculum. Local education authorities, it says, do not know enough about what goes on in their schools, and are not doing enough to encourage good teaching practice. The criticism is made in the preface to Local Authority Arrangements for the School Curriculum, the report of the DES survey of i.e.a. policy in England and Wales. The survey was carried out for the last government. Two-thirds of the 104 authorities replying to the questionnaire indicated they have no desire to control the curriculum in their schools. Only one in five authorities systematically collect details of the secondary cur-

riculum, and most of these are interested only in fifth- and sixth-form work. Only one in 10 collect details of primary school work. The loose phrasing of many questions in the survey and the different interpretations contained in the answers makes it difficult to draw firm conclusions. The word "policy" may mean anything from the practice agreed throughout an authority's schools to an attitude struck merely for the purposes of answering the questionnaire. One in five authorities would not be drawn into listing "essential elements of the curriculum". More than half, however, expressed views akin to HM Inspectors' "essential areas of experience". A quarter listed individual school subjects.

Drawing up the document will be a complex task, the commentary admits. Such a framework will need to relate to the broad shape of the whole curriculum for the various stages of school education, and be capable of flexibility in accordance with changing perceptions over time of individual and social needs. It would give central government a firmer basis for the development of national policies and the deployment of resources; and provide a checklist for authorities and schools in formulating and reviewing their curricular aims and policies in the light of local needs and circumstances, and for teachers in exercising their professional skills and extending the interests of their pupils. Concealed in this way, an agreed framework could offer a significant step forward in the quest for improvement in the consistency and quality of school education across the country.

The report is clearly nudging local authorities into a more active role in curriculum planning. "The Education Service," says the commentary, "has a responsibility to ensure that primary and secondary education meet the needs of their area firmly on local education authorities. As with central government, this implies a concern by authorities with the content and quality of education as well as with the facilities which they provide."

This does not mean that authorities should seek a detailed control of school curricula in their areas; but it does impose on them a responsibility to formulate curricular policies, objectives which meet national policies and objectives and command local assent. To fulfil their responsibilities effectively within a nationally agreed framework, authorities must exercise leadership. Authorities must decide how to make their

Control is left to schools, replies show

Local authorities do not want control of the details of the school curriculum. That much is clear from replies to the DES questionnaire to local education authorities (circular 14/77), though the replies warn against placing too much weight on all its 200 pages of findings.

The open-ended nature of many of the questions and different interpretations given to the "policy" make hard and fast conclusions difficult. Because authorities did not see fit to mention some particular policy activity did not mean they were not interested in them. Equally, they did mention them, it did not necessarily signify that any special priority was attached to them. It was difficult to distinguish between what were genuine local authority initiatives and what were descriptions of local practice.

Only Kingston upon Thames the 105 local authorities in England and Wales refused to answer the Labour Government questionnaire, which covered aspects of local curriculum arrangements.

Coordination of School Curriculum: Asked about procedures for carrying out the curriculum responsibilities assigned to local authorities under the 1944 Education Act, authorities stressed that they did not seek to control the detail of curriculum of each school. This largely left to the school.

According to the report, an authority's function is commonly seen as being mainly to provide broad guidance and support to schools in a variety of ways, particularly through its advisory services' activities and in-service training of teachers. Most authorities do not have systematic arrangements for regularly collecting a monitoring curriculum information from their schools, relying instead on occasional enquiries about specific topics and on informal contacts of teachers with a head teacher's reports to governing bodies.

Authorities were also asked about the systematic collection of information about the curriculum in the schools. "One-fifth of authorities reported that they made a systematic annual collection of information on at least some aspects of curriculum and organization of their secondary schools. The nature and scope of this information varied greatly, but it often included information related to the amount of time devoted to particular subjects, the staffing involved, the composition and size of teaching groups at the levels to which subjects were taught. Information was normally collected by means of questionnaire sent to each head teacher."

"In contrast just one-tenth of authorities described a regular collection of detailed curriculum information from even a proportion of their primary schools, although few were attempting to devise suitable techniques based, for instance, on the average number of lessons spent on each major field or on checklists covering 'building curriculum and organization'. The teachers' reports to the governing body were also said to be informative in this respect."

On a specific question relating to the steps taken to ensure schools complied with the Sex Discrimination Act, half said they had sent specific written advice, a quarter mentioned informal guidance from advisers, and a few mentioned service training or specific arrangements to monitor the effects of the Act.

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Just over half couched these essentials in terms of "areas of experience" which could be approached through various subjects. One in 10 agreed with the checklist of areas of experience in the HMI redbook, Curriculum 11 to 16.

Just over a quarter listed school subjects regarded as essential. "Of those listing subjects which they considered ought to be included in the curriculum of primary schools, all referred to language and number, and all but one to religious education; over two-thirds referred to science and/or environmental studies; almost two-thirds to physical education; over half to aesthetic and/or craft subjects; and a quarter to health education."

Many more subjects were mentioned as essential for the secondary curriculum. "Of the authorities giving this form of response, over nine tenths referred to English and mathematics; about four-fifths to each of science, religious education, and physical education; and two-thirds to modern languages. Two-fifths and one-seventh of these authorities respectively drew separate attention to the areas of careers education and health education."

Particular subject areas: English: Only a minority of authorities had asked schools to formulate language policies in line with the recommendations of the Bullock report. A wide range of other measures had been taken, however, to promote English language in the light of that report. The most common were in-service training, study groups, and guidelines for teachers.

Mathematics: Most authorities had no formal policy on whether all pupils should study maths up to the age of 16, though most said the subject was rarely dropped. Most had established liaison groups with local employers to increase understanding about the mathematical skills

needed in adult life though few took active steps to let schools know what industry required. Modern languages: Primary French was supported in some schools in half of all i.e.a.s. One third actively discouraged it and a small minority had no policy. Where there was none, shortage of suitable teachers was usually the reason.

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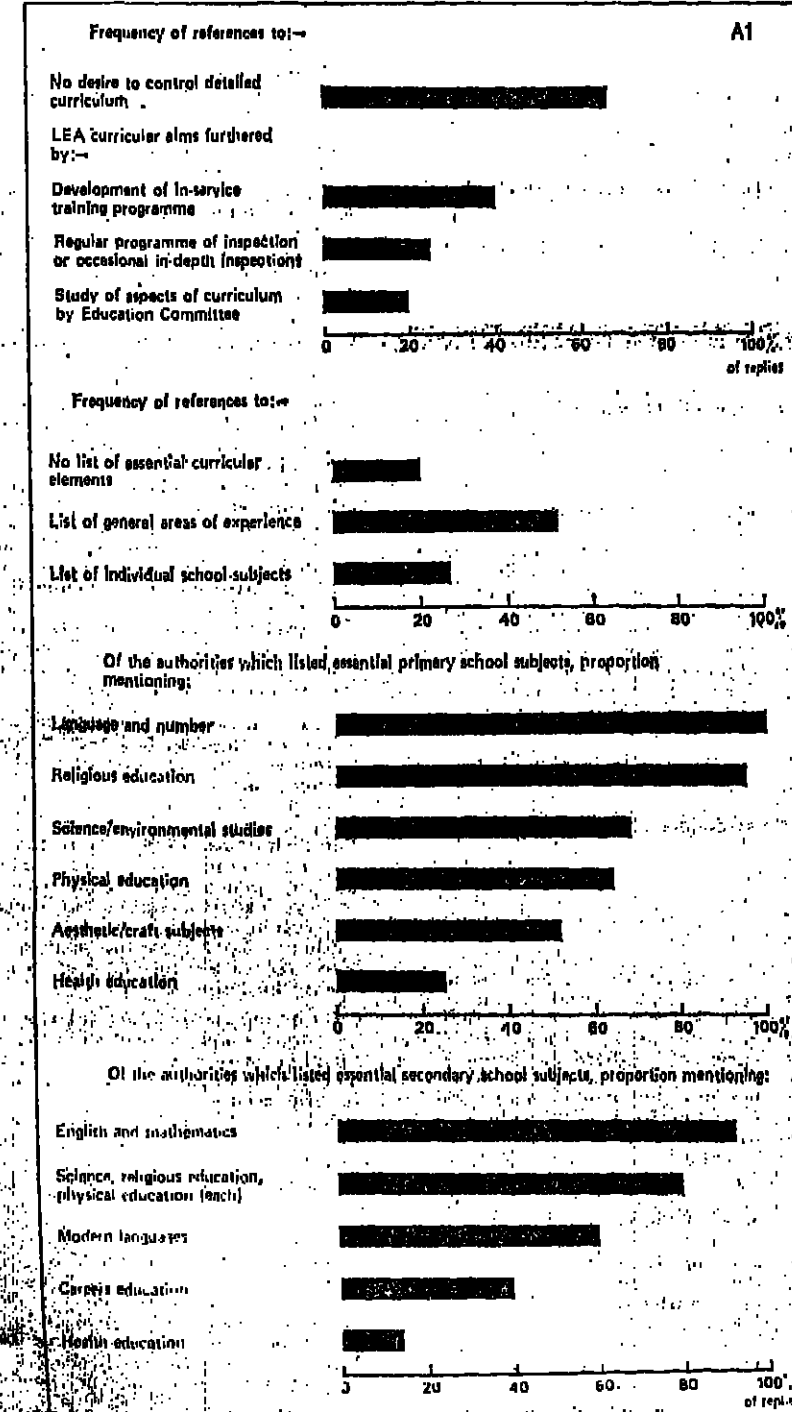
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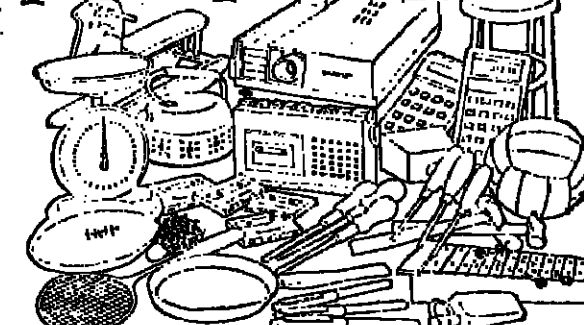
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School to work

Summit on £150m cuts policy

by Mark Jackson

The Manpower Commissioners meet in Sheffield at the end of the month to take their most important decision since they approved the Youth Opportunities Programme two years ago. They have to decide whether to trim back the programme—in size or quality—for the coming year to help meet the £150m cut in the commission's overall planned spending ordered by the Government.

Ministers and the commission's top officials have pledged to protect the political core of the programme—a guarantee that everyone failing to find a job by the Easter after leaving school will be offered a place in one of the programme's projects or courses.

This undertaking was met last year—the first full year of operation—and will easily be met this year.

But the undertaking does not cover those who become unemployed after a spell of work, nor provide for those who cannot get a job after completing one project and need to go on to a second opportunity.

In the first year of the programme they made up nearly a third of the participants, and the proportion is likely to turn out higher this year. Mr Geoffrey Holland, head of the commission's special programmes, said this week that he was still planning to handle up to 230,000 next year.

He claimed the quality of what was offered had not suffered from the 25 per cent cut in the budget imposed by the Government in June. Savings had been achieved by "housekeeping economies" and at its peak this year the programme had held 110,000 youngsters.

With only 90,000 places filled at the end of last month, the programme clearly has a useful margin of capacity at the moment.

But many of those outside the commission who help the pro-



Geoffrey Holland... cuts have not affected quality of programme

gramme—such as youth bodies, local authority services and colleges—fear that the programme will continue to fall a long way short of its original concept so as to keep costs down in practice.

YOP was originally planned, and is still supposed to be, a carefully balanced programme offering a wide range of projects and courses which can be matched to the differing needs of youngsters. But so far work experience with employers has bulked much larger than was promised.

It costs the commission less than half the weekly expense of a place in most of the other kinds of project or course; and most of the youngsters on employer-based work experience spend less than 25 weeks in the programme, compared with the 29 to 35 weeks average stay for those in projects run by local authorities or voluntary organizations.

Cheap labour from YOP, claim farm workers

Wide-spread exploitation of the Youth Opportunities Programme by farmers is alleged by the National Union of Agricultural Workers. It is threatening to call in the TUC if the Manpower Services Commission does not end the alleged abuse of the scheme.

The union claims that small farmers, in particular, are using youngsters supplied to them for work experience instead of taking on normal paid labour or apprentices. It says that farmers are so keen to get YOP youngsters that there are now more than 7,000 places on farms on offer—only just over half of which are filled.

The number of places on offer is the equivalent of three years' intake of apprentices to the industry.

Miss Ann Hook, the union's education officer, said that for the past 18 months the union had been trying to get the commission to agree to some effective form of consultation with agricultural employers. Another meeting with senior officials was due to take place this

month, but if no satisfactory solution was reached, the union would have to ask the TUC's general council to take up the matter.

Mr Geoffrey Holland, director of MSC Special Programmes, said that the commission took the union's complaint very seriously, and hoped to be able to work out an effective approach with them.

He said: "It is our practice to consult the unions locally where their members' interests appear to be involved. But one problem is that on many of the farms concerned the National Union of Agricultural Workers had no members."

But Miss Hook later claimed that it was untrue to imply that the commission had consulted the union wherever it had members on the farm concerned. Among the schemes they have accepted "without consultation" is one "on a Lincolnshire farm where one of our executive members is employed".

Mr John Cassels, the commission's director, has now become directly involved in the handling of the problem.

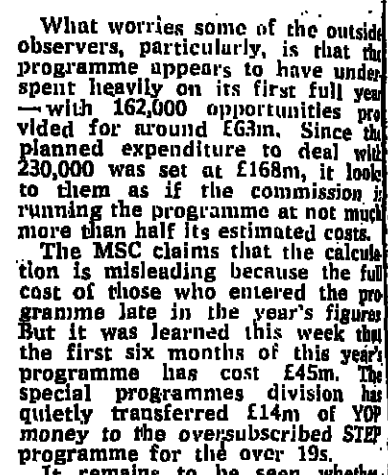
Threat to youth programmes

Most authorities are planning to make further heavy cuts for the coming year in their spending on youth. Some councils are slashing the youth service budget by 35 per cent.

The National Youth Bureau, which has just surveyed the spending plans of three-quarters of the country's education authorities on behalf of the youth service associations, reports that the average reduction over this year's budget works out at 6.6 per cent, with wide differences between individual councils.

In general, it says, the big city councils are cutting back less than the counties.

Most of the cuts so far have been in part-time staff employed by the authorities and in the freezing of full-time appointments. But the bureau warns that at the level of cuts now being planned, many authorities are likely to cut back their support for the voluntary sector, and youth clubs will have to be open for shorter periods or closed altogether.



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What worries some of the outside observers, particularly, is that the programme appears to have under-spent heavily on its first full year—with 162,000 opportunities provided for around £63m. Since the planned expenditure to deal with 230,000 was set at £168m, it looks to them as if the commission is running the programme at not much more than half its estimated cost.

The MSC claims that the calculation is misleading because the full cost of those who entered the programme late in the year's figures. But it was learned this week that the first six months of this year's programme has cost £45m. The special programmes division has quietly transferred £14m of YOP money to the oversubscribed STEP programme for the over 19s.

It remains to be seen whether Mr Holland and his colleagues have been able to persuade the commission—and the Employment Secretary's departmental advisors—to let them go on building up the quality of the programme by trying to raise the number of places in the more expensive kind of schemes, in particular the training workshops.

These are especially needed for the more disadvantaged and handicapped youngsters, although Mr Holland reports that an increasing number of employers are prepared to accept them for work experience.

At present 23 per cent of the programme get some kind of off-the-job training or education, usually in life skills. Overall, this is nearly twice as high as the proportion last year, but it still applies to only 12 per cent of these on work experience with employers.

Any real squeeze on YOP spending is likely to slow the growth both of off-the-job training, and of the monitoring of work experience schemes which the commission promised to ensure that youngsters are not exploited as cheap labour.

The money is intended to enable colleges to extend their facilities so that they can offer courses in life skills or workshop training to YOP youngsters. But many colleges are showing little or no interest in operating courses despite a scale of fees which seems to offer them some prospect of profit.

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United States

Carter makes surprise choice to head new Department

From Clive Cookson

WASHINGTON Years of debate on the place of education in the United States Government reached a climax this autumn when Congress passed legislation setting up a Cabinet-level Department of Education. Then, after a month's speculation about possible candidates to head the new department, President Carter surprised almost everyone by nominating Shirley Hufstetler to be the United States' first Secretary of Education.

Mrs Hufstetler, a 54-year-old judge on the Federal Appeals Court in Los Angeles, was an unexpected choice because her entire career has been devoted to the law. Her reputation as one of the most brilliant jurists in the United States ensured that her name came up frequently as a potential candidate for the Supreme Court when one of the nine justices retires, but no one had thought of her as a possible member of the Carter Cabinet.

Education spokesmen generally reacted with pleasure to her nomination, emphasizing her legal and intellectual calibre and the interest she has shown in education in her private life. Mrs Hufstetler is a trustee of the California Institute of Technology, Occidental College and the University of Southern California Law Center. Her lack of experience in government and in educational administration could be a positive advantage, they say.

President Carter certainly sees it that way. He said Shirley Hufstetler had "one of the best minds in the country. I wanted a strong, creative thinker who could take a fresh look at the way we educate our children. In Judge Shirley Hufstetler we have found that person."

Mrs Hufstetler herself issued a rather bland statement, saying: "I expect to spend a great deal of time as Secretary of Education listening to parents, teachers, and students. I am deeply concerned about education in this nation. The first concern of this country in education must be helping all students to learn."

The department that Mrs Hufstetler will take over is expected to be the same as the education division of the present Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW). Only minor educational programmes from outside HEW are being transferred to the new department; the most significant of these are the Defense Department's schools for overseas dependents, which employ more than 10,000 teachers at an annual cost of \$364m. The Department of Education's total budget will be \$14.2b a year, of which about half will be spent on elementary and secondary education.



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Many education-related activities will remain in other government departments. For example, the Interior Department keeps control of its Indian schools, the Agriculture Department retains responsibility for school lunches, and the pre-school Head Start programme stays with HEW (which will be renamed the Department of Health and Human Services after the departure of the education division).

The Carter Administration decided to propose the inclusion of these in the education Department because they are all associated with special interest groups that would have lobbied hard to keep them where they are.

Even without the opposition of these groups, the Act to set up the Education Department only squeezed past the House of Representatives by 215 votes to 201. President Carter had to throw the full weight of his Administration's lobbying machine to get the Act through—its commitment to give education its own place in his Cabinet dates back to the 1976 election campaign, when it won him the early support of the National Education Association (NEA), the biggest teacher union.

The strength of the opposition reflected a widespread belief that, although having a Department of Education would not make much difference in the short run, its long-

term effect would be to shift control over American education from the districts and states, where it constitutionally belongs, to Washington.

Through the legislation safeguards local and state control, many politicians and some educators fear the department will eventually become a "centralized, European-style Ministry of Education"—a body that terrifies American educationists.

Most of the doubters are in higher education, with the notable exception of the American Federation of Teachers, the NEA's smaller rival teacher union. People and organizations in elementary and secondary education generally support the separate department. They expect education's increased "visibility" to prove highly beneficial in financial and political terms.

However Shirley Hufstetler is unlikely to be Secretary of Education long enough to notice these long-term perils or benefits. Before accepting the job she got a commitment from President Carter that she would not preclude her from consideration for any future vacancy on the Supreme Court, although a White House spokesman denied that she had been promised first consideration for such a vacancy. At least one Supreme Court Justice, William Brennan, is expected to retire before next summer.

EEC

Danish objections force second cancellation of Community summit

from Rory Watson

BRUSSELS For the second year in succession the scheduled meeting of education ministers from the nine European Community countries has been cancelled. Objections to the November 6 session came from the Danish Government, which in the throes of a general election maintained its entrenched position that education has nothing to do with the European Community and that therefore the Community should take no action in this area.

Community officials were well aware of the Danes' view, but are nevertheless extremely annoyed at the postponement of what is, at most, a once a year meeting of education ministers from EEC governments. The elections undoubtedly had some bearing on the Danish Government's behaviour since it does not pay to be a Community-minded in Denmark at the moment. But more importantly, with Danish politicians using all their time and energy to court their electorate, there was little chance of reaching a political compromise over the holding of the council.

The question of whether education is, or is not, within the ambit of the activities of the European Community is not a new one. Some areas, notably those touching on youth unemployment, are undoubtedly covered by the Treaty of Rome. In order to get round this doctrinal argument, it was agreed back in 1976 that education ministers would meet under the cumbersome heading of the Council of Ministers and Education Ministers Meeting in Council. Thus it would be possible to legislate on areas of obvious EEC significance, in the Council of Ministers, and to discuss other educational subjects without attempting to legislate, as Education Ministers Meeting in Council.

This has worked in the past, and Commission officials now point out that the Danes' attitude means that they have gone back on a formula which has been the basis of work over the last three years. EEC Education Commissioner, Guido Brunner, will be visiting Copenhagen in the near future to sound out the new government's thinking in this area. There is also a strong hope that the education council can be held during the first six months of next year, when the Italians will be chairing EEC meetings.

One of the subjects which was to have been approved by the education ministers and which will now be formally adopted without discussion by another of the EEC Council of Ministers, was a resolution on the transfer of young people from school to working life. Closely linked with the fight

against unemployment, there are no political objections to the proposal that the series of pilot projects, due to end in 1980, should be extended for another year.

A second item, which it was hoped would be of special interest to the Danes, was a resolution on equal education and training opportunities for girls. This called on national authorities to examine ways and means of ensuring that equality of the sexes becomes a more explicit and integral part of all aspects of education policy.

The third proposal was a communication on the access to higher educational establishments for students from another member state. First put forward in September, 1978, this sets out to improve and harmonize criteria currently in force.

The final two items were a three-year programme on the teach-



EEC Education Commissioner Guido Brunner: taking soundings in Denmark.

ing of foreign languages in the Community, and a communication on the study of Europe and the Community in schools.

Many of these items were on the agenda for the meeting of EEC education ministers scheduled for November last year. This was similarly cancelled after the French challenged the legality of funding a full-scale educational action within the Community. They proposed that the education programme be authorized under Article 235 of the Treaty of Rome, which gives the Commission power to take action in virtually any field not already covered by the Treaty.

The Danes promptly declared that the use of that article would be a breach of their national constitution and the meeting was called off.

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A cricket match at Erve-Delyn School for the Physically Handicapped, South Wales. Now the disabled compete for Five Star awards.

Esso puts Five Star in its tank

by Stanley Levenson

The highly-successful Five Star award scheme in athletics has a new backer—Esso have taken over the sponsorship relinquished by Walls, who were in at the start more than a decade ago.

The oil giant announced last week a £60,000 fund, initially for two years, beginning in 1980 which is the centenary year of the Amateur Athletic Association, administrators of the scheme. For the first time, handicapped children are to take part in the award scheme.

Much of the sponsorship money will be used to pay for stationery involved in administration. Badges are paid for by the boys and girls who reach the required level of proficiency. Badge sales are an important source of income for the AAA,

and more particularly its area associations.

Squire Yarrow, the president of the AAA, stresses an important role of the five-star scheme: trying to bridge the gap between school and club. Failure to cross this rather unsubstantial bridge accounts for the huge number of boys and girls who, over the years, have failed to continue with any regular form of sport.

Now many five-star badge winners are getting letters from current members of the international team encouraging them to join clubs after leaving school. Indeed almost every member of the British team must have a five-star badge somewhere in his or her kit.

Mr Hector Munro, the minister responsible for sport, also stressed the value of the scheme, and similar ones in other sports, in helping "the

translation of children from school to club".

The scheme, begun in 1968, with about 17,000 children in southern England in 1968, now involves at least 1,000,000 every year of national basis. Altogether 6,000,000 badges have been won various grades.

To qualify for a badge a boy or girl competes against a standard compiled by Mr David Coulling, teacher at Castle Donington School, Derby. This has to be a minimum of three events (two in one field or vice versa). For example, in the younger age group a 50 metre run in 9 seconds and 20 points and a standing long jump of 1.80m is worth 40 points.

All this is an extension of the involvement in schools which the company also sponsors school football, Rugby Union and swimming.

Careers head gets top soccer job

Mr Arthur Rice, head of careers at Pensby High School for Boys at Heswall, Wirral, is to become the new general secretary of the English Schools' Football Association as from January 1, 1980.

Mr Rice has been associated with schools football for 25 years, mostly in the Wirral-Cheshire area; for the next few weeks he will still be secretary of the Wirral Schools FA.

Although his main preoccupation has been with football, Mr Rice also has an association with schools cricket.

Now he changes the level of his activities and the scene—he is busy house hunting in the Stafford area where the ESFA has its headquarters. It will take him away from one of his children who is at Liverpool Polytechnic but will bring him closer to the other at Leicester University.

Mr Rice will be only the fifth incumbent since the association was formed in 1904, the first two putting in 53 years between them. He succeeds Mr Glyn Evans, secretary from 1966, whose ill health forced him to retire during this past summer.

Under Mr Evans, the ESFA grew in strength, cemented relations with the senior football authorities and attracted many sponsors to support the game.

And, the latest, to underwrite schools football are Deftone, the chewing gum people. They are to back the ESFA under-19 championship for the next three years, during which they will also sponsor the schools' international, played at Wembley every June.

As Kevin Keegan, the England international, now playing for Hamburg, has a promotional deal-up with Deftone it is hoped that he will be guest of honour at next summer's Wembley match between England and Scotland.

Hotel group opens doors for winter coaching

One of Britain's main hotel groups is using its spare winter capacity to arrange coaching courses for boys and girls in the 13 to 15 year age group. Grand Metropolitan Hotels have initiated this scheme, which gives youngsters a package deal for a series of courses during the lean hotel months of January and February.

This winter's schemes include football, Rugby Union, football, hockey, cricket and tennis.

Grand Met arrange with British Rail so that there is a package deal for the children including fare and two nights in a London hotel. The tariff shows that for a pupil coming from Northumberland the total cost will be £31.56, from Central Scotland £33.05 which pro rata is a better bargain than a participant from nearby Essex, £24.86.

The venture began last year with teach-ins on football, cricket, athletics, hockey, tennis and Rugby Union. International competitor Geoff Capes, Sue Reeves and Mr Stewart were involved in the first teach-in. Ron Greenwood, Trevor Brooking in the football course.

Although Grand Met are providing an additional service for sport, they are not being paid for it. Mr Geoff Pharaoh, manager of National Sports Teachers' says that Grand Met have 19 hotels in central London with many rooms in the winter. "Our hotels are no good to us" he is adding that the charges for a coaching course just cover costs.

It is worth it, too, for British Rail whose business is slower in the period, he said.

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Year of the cast-outs?

John Holt, the widely read American writer on children, attacks

the UN Declaration of the Rights of the Child, arguing that 'it makes the rich countries' ideal

of segregated and tended childhood into a world ideal'

The chief problem facing young people now—aside from the one we all have, which is that we live in societies that increasingly do not work, make no sense, and seem to be headed towards disasters which we have no idea how to avert—is that they have been cast out of society.

For most of human history, and in most cultures, children grew up in the midst of the adult world, seeing every part of it, and playing a useful role in it as fast as their growing strength and competence would allow. In modern rich countries, and in the rich parts of poor countries, this is no longer true. Children are shut out of adult life, forbidden to play any useful part in adult society.

For much of their waking hours they are herded off into child compounds, where the only adults they see are those who have made a speciality and life work of dealing with children. This would be bad, even if such work attracted the most able, energetic and imaginative adults in society. Since the people it attracts are for the most part very far from being that, the situation is catastrophic.

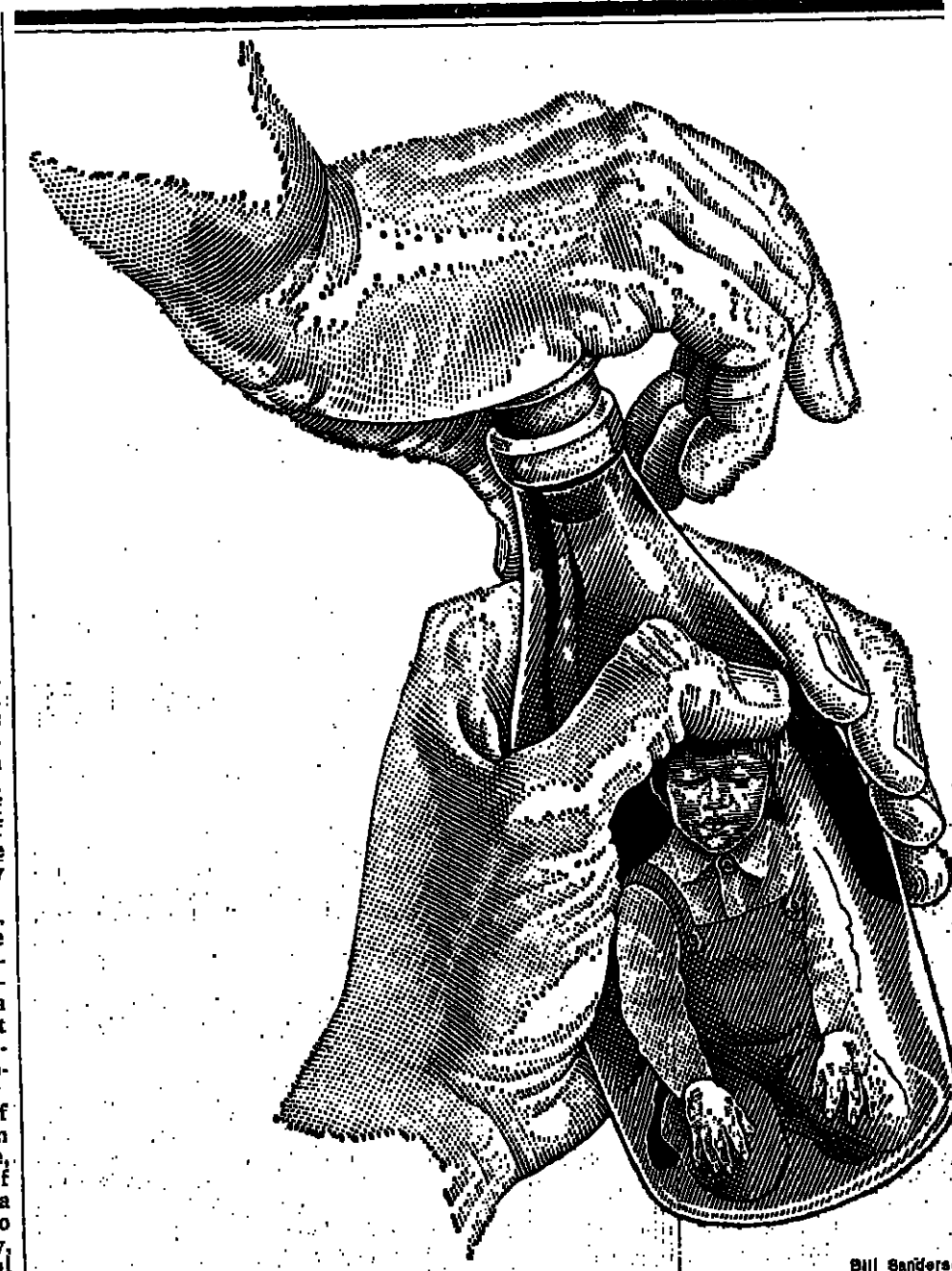
The people and institutions whose full-time work is supposedly to "help" children turn out, more often than not, to be patronizing, exploiting, and bullying them. Young people are likely to spend much of the rest of their waking hours in what we call peer-groups, which is to say, gangs of people about their own age. Since this sub-culture has no useful work to do, and is cut off from any of the serious concerns and purposes of adult life, it becomes a sub-culture obsessed with consumption, status, show—like a society of decadent aristocrats.

It tends to produce young people who, with very few exceptions, must be unique in history in their sense of their own—and by extension, everyone else's—worthlessness. These young people are both a great (and needless) tragedy, and a great danger, since they are perfect raw material for any kind of violent, nihilist, neo-Fascist movements.

The UN Declaration of the Rights of the Child does not address this problem at all. Indeed, it only makes it worse, since it makes the rich countries' ideal of segregated and tended childhood into a world ideal. It speaks of the right "to learn to be a useful member of society, etc". Why not the right to be a useful member of society, which, as I have said, is in more and more parts of the world specifically forbidden to children by law.

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Why do young people have to spend 10 or 15 or 20 years of their lives—by implication, in school—"learning" to be useful members of society, when until very recently most children began to be useful as early as the age of six? The answer, of course, is that in all but a few countries, rich or poor, adult unemployment is



to mix such pious statements of distant hope with what are presumably statements about political and legal obligation.

In my book, *Escape from Childhood*, I proposed that the rights, privileges, duties and responsibilities of adult citizens be made available to any young persons, of whatever age, who wanted to make use of them. These rights would include:

- (1) The right to equal treatment at the hands of the law, i.e. in any situation, to be treated no worse than an adult would be.
- (2) The right to vote, and to take full part in political affairs.
- (3) The right to be legally responsible for one's own life and acts.
- (4) The right to work for money.
- (5) The right to privacy.
- (6) The right to financial independence and responsibility, i.e. the right to own, buy and sell property, to borrow money, establish credit, sign contracts, etc.
- (7) The right to direct and manage one's own education.
- (8) The right to travel, to live away from home, to choose or make one's own home.
- (9) The right to receive from the state whatever minimum income it may guarantee to adult citizens.
- (10) The right to make and enter into, on a basis of mutual consent, quasi-familial relationships outside one's immediate family, i.e. the right to seek and choose guardians other than one's own parents and to be legally dependent on them.

'The Declaration seems to me foolish and misleading, in that it mixes pious statements of distant hope with statements about political and legal obligations'

(11) The right to do, in general, what any adult may legally do.

Now, one might say that to give, or even propose to give, any of these rights to children is mistaken, unwise, foolish. One might also say, and with good reason, that it is likely to be a very long time before any societies do in fact give any of these rights to children. But at any rate, the meaning of these rights is clear, and it is equally clear what any government would have to do to put any of them into effect—for the most part, strike out laws that say that people below a certain age may not do these things.

What I propose, however unwise or unlikely, is a perfectly explicit political and legal programme, about which people can say either, Yes we should do such things, or No we should not. The UN declaration, or at least, important parts of it, is not such a programme. It would be a stronger and more useful statement, and more likely to lead to effective action, if it were.

John Holt is the author of *Why Children Fail* and other books on education and children.

Testing, one, two, three

Testing is likely to make the headlines again shortly, when the APU publishes its maths results. Here three researchers describe the American experience, and some of the questions it has raised

Uses and abuses

Michael Garec

Several controversial higher court decisions in the past few years have hinged on the role of educational tests in professional school admissions practices and minority hiring policies.

Scores on the college entrance exams have undergone an apparent decline over the past decade, as have scores on some other widely used tests of achievement and academic ability, and reasons for this decline remain unclear. In an attempt to bolster educational standards, some thirty states have recently begun to institute so-called "minimum competency" tests, which students must pass to receive a high-school diploma.

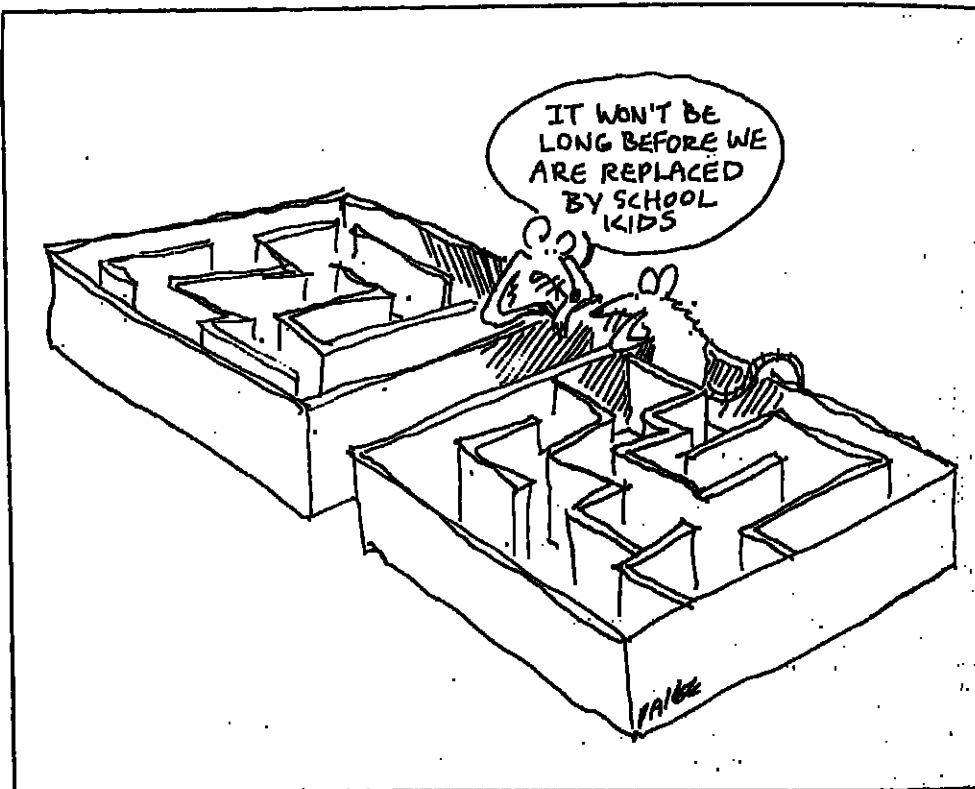
At the same time, several important educational organizations have called for a moratorium on standardized testing in the schools. Various critics have begun to question the diagnostic tests used to identify children with special educational needs. And other critics have called for the development of wholly new tests, based on novel approaches to test construction.

The debate has raised a fairly troubling question: What role should tests play in social and educational policy and practice? What should be expected from tests, when they are used? And what ought to be taken into account, in distinguishing appropriate and inappropriate uses of testing?

Unfortunately, most of the professional literature on testing (at least until recently) has focused on the technical issues underlying test construction and the statistical analysis of test scores. Much less has been written on the role of testing in educational and social policy. As a result, there are few, if any, widely accepted standards to be used in judging the merit of current testing practices.

In general terms, educational testing is a highly structured form of observation. An educational test is supposed to be a carefully-designed procedure for observing some aspect of student performance (or school or classroom performance). Clearly, there are many ways of observing student performance in addition to testing.

Teachers can watch as students attempt to complete exercises or listen as students talk to one another. Parents can observe as their children engage in work and play around the home. Employers can watch performance on the job or during interviews. What testing is supposed to add is a degree of structure.



While ordinary, day-to-day observation may focus on a wide-ranging set of activities, tests are purposefully designed to limit what is observed to what is (for some reason) thought to be the central feature of the situation. Furthermore, tests are supposed to reduce the idiosyncratic nature of ordinary observation. Different observers, using the same test, are supposed to see the same thing.

Thinking about educational testing in this way suggests a number of issues and distinctions that are frequently overlooked in discussions about the uses of testing.

The fact that tests focus attention on some aspects of student (or classroom or school) performance and ignore others has an important consequence. By focusing attention, tests not only provide information about student performance,

They also express a set of assumptions about what aspects of student (or classroom) performance are worth observing. One ought to be able to tell a good deal about a school's educational philosophy by looking at the tests that are used there or are required for admission.

Consequently, debates about tests are also debates about the purposes and methods of education. Tests contain conceptions of the structure of subject-matter areas. They embody notions of what it is to "do maths" or "do social studies". Thus, tests reflect important educational choices and values. They help to maintain the culture of a school, by encouraging teachers to focus on certain conceptions of curriculum, and discouraging alternative conceptions.

There are three broad kinds of observa-

What is measurable?

Judah Schwartz

Teachers need to know as much as they can learn about children's strengths and weaknesses in each subject taught in their classrooms. Were this the only purpose for standardized tests we would have no need of such instruments, because they service this purpose poorly, if at all.

By and large we do not administer standardized tests to schoolchildren in order to provide information to teachers, but rather to answer a variety of accountability questions. We seek ways to hold children accountable for learning, teachers accountable for teaching, and school systems accountable for planning and carrying out educational programmes. Overwhelmingly the instruments we use to address all of these purposes are standardized norm-referenced tests of the performance of individual children.

We administer these tests to assess children's school achievement, in school subjects that can be broadly characterized as either "tapestry" or "vehicle" subjects. Language and mathematics are the vehicle subjects of our schools; science, literature, art, social sciences, history, and music are among the tapestry subjects.

It is true that for most people the vehicle subjects have no intrinsic content. Reading, writing, speaking, and listening all refer to people or places or things. Mathematics is present in the schools because it provides us with the tools of analysis to model complex situations that have quantitative aspects to them.

Our notions of competence, and our expectations of achievement, are rather different in the vehicle and the tapestry subjects, and so they should be. In the vehicle subjects, it is possible to imagine that careful analysis and extensive public discussion could lead to a consensus about the nature of the knowledge and skill we wish children to develop.

In contrast, the tapestry subjects are characterized by the extraordinary diversity of their content. In science, for example, it is conceivable that we might all agree with C. P. Snow that every educated person should understand the nuance and implication of the second law of thermodynamics. However, beyond that some might hold the Krebs cycle to be non-negotiable content, while others, the theory of plate tectonics.

In history, we might all agree that all children in the United States should understand the social and political origins of the American Revolution. Some of us would place great emphasis on the cultural history of the American people and their diverse origins. Others would argue that all children should have a thorough grounding in American economic history. How do we devise reasonable assessment procedures, given the legitimacy of different views and our commitment to diversity?

There are things we would like to demand of all children. We would like them all to understand the concept of multiplication, and be able to recognize the appropriateness of multiplication as an analytic action in contexts that call for it. We would like all children to be able to generate and comprehend both oral and written descriptive prose with facility.

On the other hand, there are things that we are not willing to demand of all children, but of some of them. We hope that some children graduating from our high schools will be admitted to prestige universities. School programmes ought to be good enough so that some children become enthusiastic mathematicians, some others enthusiastic scientists, and still others enthusiastic craftsmen.

Further, there are goals that we all



strive for that cannot be required of any one person or, for that matter, of any group of people. We all want our fifth grade chorus to be the best in the state. We all want the brilliant girl in the senior class to win the mathematics competition in the city. Striving for competitive superiority also provides goals, and we must decide how much we want about such goals.

There has been a temptation to associate in a rather simplistic way the notion of vehicle subjects with the goals that we have for all children. To be sure, we wish all children to be nimble with the vehicle subjects. That aspiration has led some people to conclude, in a time of increasingly limited resources, that the attention of the schools ought to be narrowed to the vehicle subjects, and that our assessment policies reflect that emphasis. This is a catastrophic conclusion.

The vehicle subjects by themselves do not have content that justifies their presence in the school curriculum. They are in the curriculum because, when mastered, they provide the tools of rational discussion and analysis of the qualitative and quantitative dimensions of the world around us and the people who live in it.

Clearly one must learn to read and write about something, one must learn to compute about something, and different people are interested in different things. Children need the vehicle subjects in order to be able to discuss and analyze the subject matter of the tapestry subjects. By the same token, they need the tapestry subjects to provide content for the learning of the vehicle subjects.

When we think, therefore, about the problem of assessing the child's school achievement, even if we restrict ourselves to the vehicle subjects, we must of necessity think of the subject matter context in which we will ask the child to demonstrate his or her competence.

Will we ask the child to read about cats or about firemen? Will we ask the child to produce a written analysis of a jet engine or a Gothic novel? Will we ask a student to understand in a quantitative fashion the economics of the industrial revolution, or of the special theory of relativity?

A continuing analysis of language and mathematics, and the diverse ways they serve and are served by the tapestry subjects, might lead us to clearer notions of what we can reasonably expect of our children. But we must not do so at the price of diversity.

Some years ago my mentor and colleague Jerrold R. Zacharias taught me "Children are different from each other; schools should make them even more so." We must be able to learn about each child's mastery of language and mathematics and the ways that each child uses these tools to analyze those parts of the world that interest him or her.

Testing procedures that do not let us do this, and that tend to homogenize children intellectually and suppress the diversity of their interests and talents, do not serve us well.

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Damaging secrecy

Edwin Taylor

In a suburb of Boston, Massachusetts, a parent is told that his daughter has performed poorly on a standardized test of English, and therefore will be placed in a "special learning" class. He requests that a copy of the test with his daughter's answers be put into her school file so that he can examine them.

The request is denied, first by the school principal, next by the superintendent of schools, and then by the elected school board legally responsible for the local school system. The parent forces the school board to grant his request by threatening to sue them under the Massachusetts Freedom of Information Act. Finally, he and his daughter look at the test together.

How difficult is not with the test but with the separated answer form. For example, with a red pencil the easily correct errors of punctuation and capitalization in a sample paragraph, but makes mistakes in coding the corrections and transferring them to the answer sheet.

For her, the original test was not a test of English, but of clerical skill.

Three students in a graduate school of education take a national standardized test for elementary school principals. They are horrified by many of the questions, which they think are ambiguous, poorly phrased, implicitly racist, and inappropriate in content for certification of elementary school principals. The students write an article about this test for a national magazine, quoting 12 test questions from a copy obtained for them by the editor of the magazine.

Before publication they send the article to the company that developed the test. The company threatens to sue the editor if the article is published, since, they say, he violated an agreement of secrecy entered into when the test was sent to him. The article is not published.

These are only two examples of the consequences of test secrecy. In the first case it took the threat of legal action to discover that a test had been used to misdiagnose the difficulty a student was having. In the second case it was impossible to have an informed public discussion of a national test used to select and promote elementary school principals.

Standardized tests, those given to large numbers of people, are major instruments of public policy. They influence decisions about who is promoted from grade to grade, who is put into special

classes, who is admitted to colleges and universities, who enters law schools and medical schools, and who is selected for various administrative positions.

These instruments of public policy are not available for public examination and discussion. Critics, experts and research workers cannot analyze and criticize them in publications with a view to improving them and their uses. Parents and administrators and taxpayers cannot have public discussions of the coverage and balance of the tests, or their effectiveness in examining what is taught in the curriculum.

Testmakers do release some examples of test items, most of them in descriptive leaflets that introduce the tests to those who will take them. These sample questions are not enough; they carry insufficient information for public discussion about coverage and balance of the tests, and about the extent to which they reflect public priorities, established curricula and intellectually valuable topics.

Testmakers who demand secrecy are really admitting that they do not understand deeply the intellectual domains in which they are testing. If an intellectual skill and the subskills which compose it are well understood, then it is ordinarily possible to compose a large number of equivalent test questions that examine the same subskills.

For example, in the measurement of

length using a ruler, an important sub-skill is that of measuring an object longer than the ruler by repeatedly "laying off" the ruler along the object. For a ruler of given length, one can choose objects with a large variety of lengths whose measurement will examine this subskill.

Making public any one of these items should not in any way reduce the effectiveness of an alternative test of the same subskill. On the contrary, revealing the item will direct attention to the importance of this subskill. If, as a result, teachers teach their students how to carry out this particular task, so much the better; education has been improved in the process.

Many people have argued about whether or not existing standardized tests are ethnically and culturally biased against minority groups. As is the case with many criticisms of tests, an informed discussion of bias cannot even take place without a detailed examination of the tests themselves, their structure and balance as well as possibly objectionable individual questions that will not be revealed unless entire tests are made public.

With secret tests, the only evidence available is "statistical" comparing average scores for different groups. Such statistical studies are frightfully ambiguous, particularly when divorced from

specific knowledge of the tests. In any event, statistics can be gathered only retrospectively, after the damage has been done if the tests are indeed biased.

Some testmakers invite as consultants representatives of different ethnic groups to examine and approve their tests. This practice is paternalistic and objectionable; it creates a conflict of interest (Who pays the piper?), prevents other members of these groups from participating in detailed discussion, and usurps the right of a group to decide who will represent it.

We all have important stakes in the results of the tests our society administers. Some of us are directly involved: students, parents, teachers, school administrators, testmakers, and the public bodies that directly supervise schools. Other interested parties look on with more or less political power: public administrators, legislators, academics, critics, columnists, and interested citizens and taxpayers.

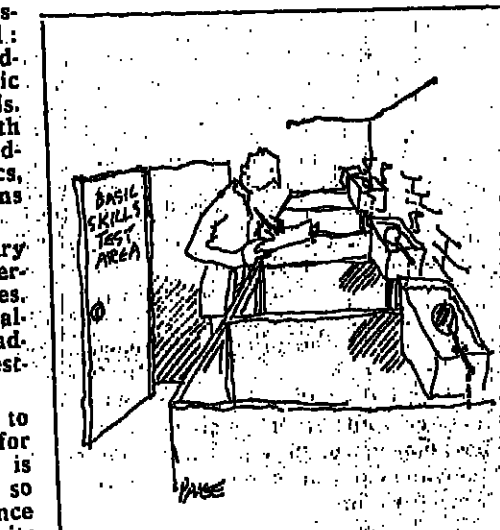
Secrecy of tests erects unnecessary walls that hinder the many-sided interchange among all these interested parties. Secrecy aggravates inequalities that already exist, for instance between administrator and student, or between test-maker and critic.

In our society test results are taken to be indicators of success and worth for individuals and school systems. That is what makes the secrecy of these tests so uniquely perverse and damaging. Since that secrecy is also unnecessary, its

elimination should have a high priority in public discussion and public policy.

Freedom of information acts and other legislative remedies are steps forward, although few parents, for example, have the knowledge, determination, or resources to invoke such laws. It may be that test secrecy will finally be eliminated only after major court cases result in substantial damages being paid to some of those who, now suffer their injuries in silence.

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Bert Lodge suggests that the shepherds responsible for the transmission of a major part of our linguistic heritage have been erring and straying

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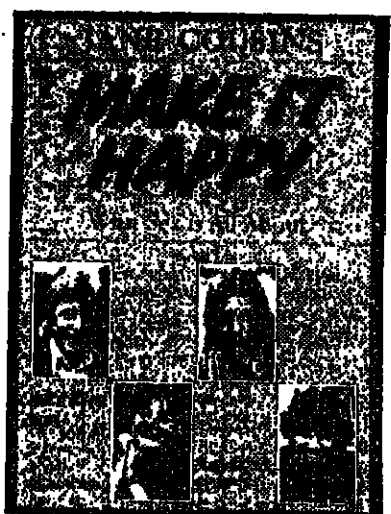
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Information Book Awards 1979 Judges' reports

Above all, happy

Charles Stuart-Jervis on the winner of the Senior Award



Make It Happy: What Sex is All About.
By Jane Cousins.
Virago £2.95. 86068 037 1.

Is it logical these days to have to overcome a certain reluctance to award a major prize to a frank and outspoken book on the topic of making sex happy? Surely not! But perhaps because one remembers Wyndham Lewis's observation that "with regard to anything that is likely to obsess a society, it is important not to give it too much advertisement" and Lawrence Durrell who cried "no more about sex, it's too boring! Everyone's got one . . . but poor honest sex, like dying, should be a private matter" the judges hesitated, drew back, paused and considered long and deeply as to whether *Make It Happy* by Jane Cousins would really be a suitable choice.

There were other beautiful and less controversial books claiming our attention and it would have been easy to have taken the safe course and opted for one of the challengers. But *Make It Happy* had appeared independently long on each of the judges' short lists at the first meeting and the more we considered it, the more apparent did its virtues become.

Make It Happy, a sex book aimed at adolescents, does not shrink from the use of straightforward description, explicit language or any of the difficult issues of the

day regarding teenagers and sex. There was total agreement that it is witty upon occasions, wholesome, classless, sometimes moving in its simplicity, gentle and honest in its intentions.

Furthermore it is very much a book of the day. Powerful bodies are now advocating the lowering of the age of consent and the adolescent is very much at risk from the flood of easily obtainable girls' magazines which must serve to cheapen and degrade sexual relationships and which display a totally irresponsible permissiveness in which neither side can give or receive affection. *Make It Happy* is an effective and honest counterbalance. The book's effectiveness lies in the fact that it does not posture, suggest or attempt to proselytize, and is safe, even though one may not always like what it has to say. The insistence on the development of a caring and sensitive attitude in relationships is itself deeply felt and there will be few adolescents who will not appreciate the message. The text attacks and sets to rights the myths and taboos that too often bedevil honest responses to the problems of young people. Above all it is, as the title suggests, happy.

Here is a book that is, in its own way, personal and private, avoiding the kind of "advertisements" suggested, and which provides a healthy counter-attack on the shadier side of sex.

Odd and even

Valerie Alderson and Edward Blisshen on the books that made them pause and reflect

"Eccentricity!" said one of the judges. "It's refreshing, isn't it, when there's a touch of enthusiastic oddity about the imparting of knowledge?" They were talking, as it happens, about André Deutsch's series of histories, *The Mirror of Britain*: each the work of a poet or novelist. Intellectually honest, all right; but also warm, at times positively passionate or even stimulatingly wayward. There are some series, like this one, of which representatives appear for judgment year after year; and they make the judges pause, annually. So they paused over Margaret Drabble's account of Victorian England, *For Queen and Country* (£3.95).

So, too, they thought twice about Robert Burton's *Seals and Bernard Stonehouse's Penguins*, in the always excellent, beautifully printed, finely illustrated Bodley Head New Biographies (£2.50 each) which never say a word more or less than is necessary about their topics. And how the choice of those topics—precisely *Ovis*, exactly *Fishes*—reassures, when you've been looking at so many supposedly inclusive books that leave out more than they let in; fragmentary encyclopaedias, as the judges thought of them. It was a reaction against such books, partly that made them consider in their final list Philip Street's *Poison in Antelope* (£2.50), a handsomely illustrated slim account of a specific, honest fragment of knowledge, with some unfamiliar assassins in the cast—like the sea wasp and the stonefish.

Some originality of approach to information is desirable, if only because standing at an odd angle to things can stimulate both the writer and the production team. Because it was both original and enthusiastic the judges were sorry not to think better of Sheila Segal's *The Castle Story* (Kestrel £5.95). This is a jolly, breathless excursion round the world's castles, with photographs on many of which are drawn the missing parts of a keep: or a knight mounting his horse; or a fine lady in a window, sewing. It ought to have worked, but the judges felt it didn't, quite: largely because the photos tended to be wishy-washy grey, and the graffiti, so to speak, disturbingly strong.

For sheer handsomeness, the panel admired the *Phaidon Concise Encyclopedia of Science and Technology* (£9.95), which takes a generous view of the field, including in it anthropology, psychology, linguistics and philosophy. It never reached the wind tunnel, as it were, but from the judges' own tests it seemed thorough in its coverage. By which the judges found themselves attracted to a book that was so with Geoffrey Turner's *Indians of North America* (Blandford £4.95), a chunky book for the expert, a whole little encyclopaedic library in a single volume; but rather solid in layout, and a disappointing haphazardness of illustration. In Peter Connolly's *Painting* (Macdonald £3.95), fascinatingly good photographs of the work of great artists and a good deal of text made it one of the last heap

to be considered: but it was felt that it lacked atmosphere. For all the care—perhaps indeed because there was, in the end, just a little too much care—the city never quite came to life.

The judges were much struck by the layout of *Living Music* (Hamish Hamilton £6.95): illustrations that were workmanlike as well as decorative, neat arrangements of information about instruments, composers, musical forms. They thought at first, indeed, that the book had avoided the rapidity and monstrous generalization that are the common sins of single-volume introductions to vast subjects. But it wasn't so, alas, at a sharper reading. It was required to imagine an orchestra "faultlessly playing a musical masterpiece", or to believe that all composers necessarily absorb the "soundscape" of their time; or that if you play Mozart badly he becomes nobody at all, whereas you can do ghastly things to Beethoven and he remains triumphantly recognizable.

As an example of the absolutely first-rate use of photographs to tell the story of an attractive institution, the panel were much taken with Camille Jessel's *Life at the Royal Ballet School* (Methuen £4.50): the gift for the use of photography here reminds one of half-forgotten pleasures, like reading *Picture Post*. The text, alas, wasn't quite in that class. There was also excellent, beautifully printed, *Talking Bikes* (Macdonald Educational £2.95 and £2.50) which managed very well indeed to combine every kind of eagerness about motorbikes with every kind of regard for safety, without being for one moment damping or depressing.

The most completely beautiful book submitted to the panel was, they thought, David Attenborough's *Life on Earth* (Collins/BBC £7.95): such a good text, such marvelous photographs. And at the last moment came another beauty: a translation of Rousseau's *Botany* (Michael Joseph £10), with illustrations by the Raphael of flowers and Rembrandt of roses. Redoubt! If there were a prize for the loving and uninterfering revival of an exquisite old text, this would surely win it.

The worst of it? Well, there was the history of shipwrecks and ballistics that resorted to the most comically awful sort of outdated journalism. Thus:

Umberto Mobile was angry.

Very angry.

There was the shifty, wry at times positively sly, use of colour in some art books, especially when red triumphed, as so often it seems to do, and the young reader was offered Bellini's hollid, Rubens' roasts.

There is the expensive, arty treatment of some rather obvious topic where the text is difficult to read—there being this problem of making out black letters printed on a purple background. There are captions written by some foreign visitor dragged in from the street after it has been carefully established that he knows no English whatever. There are examples of the plain statement avoided: "Man is continually advancing into the world and diminishing the land." There is, as appealing advice—as an example, surely not hortifying to woodworkers alone: "Some treasure hunters prefer a screwdriver because its long, narrow blade is easy to push into hard ground." There is also the sudden sound of a writer's bloodvessel bursting: as with the characterization of the sixties as "a spurious lull commensurated by unprecedented affluence."

Lots of sound books, half-excellent or decently dull. And lots in the spect of which the judges made their commonest notes: "Didn't we have this last year?" and "Who was this for and what is it for?"

Photographs to wonder at

Peggy Heeks on the winner of the Junior Award

Common Frog. Photographs by George Bernard.
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The list of Junior Information Book Awards may suggest a group of judges devoted to natural history, moving with enthusiasm from amphibians through spiders to street flowers, with occasional detours into history (*Wash and brush up*, 1976, and *Tournaments*, 1978). In truth, our personal predilections are not as narrow, and the consistency of subject area should rather be seen as indicating the publishers' view of the market. So many authors have set out, mariner-like, to engage our interest in wild life that the topic may even be at a disadvantage. By now we feel we have almost exhausted the excitement inherent in seed pods, sperm whales and similar marvels. We nominated *Common Frog* as our winner this year less for its subject matter than for its method of handling that material.

Sense of purpose and sense of audience were the over-riding criteria leading us to this picture book where stunning colour photographs and brief captions follow the life cycle of the frog after an introductory text has filled in the details. *Common Frog* goes beyond providing information to stimulating the desire for it, selecting angles and camera shots which make each page opening something to wonder at and explore. The captions are a model of simplicity, confirming in words what we take in through the pictures. An unusual and controversial feature of the series is the introductory text which requires a higher level of reading ability and



understanding than the rest of the book, and which is designed to widen the potential audience.

We noted some shedding of the scientific complexity of earlier titles in the same series and took heart that our previous criticisms may have had effect. This is the first time we have awarded a prize to a book in which text is so clearly subservient to picture.

Two other books encouraging visual exploration were *Elephants* and *Looking at Pictures with Rolf Harris*. Close-ups of ridged elephant hide, trunk tips and huge toes, and byways of information (how does an elephant scratch its back; have you ever seen an elephant jump?) brought a much worn subject alive—a pity it had to go on too long.

A more obviously didactic approach was chosen in *Looking at Pictures with Rolf Harris*. Although this book covers ground already worked by Geoffrey Gribson, the 46 pictures are well selected and Kate Petty a useful guide: only Rolf Harris's contribution is disastrous.

Other books we liked but whose reader with a personal story. *Scurus* woke with a start; something had given him a fright. He knew very little about the world . . . So Jan Taylor catches us up in *Scurus*, the life of a grey squirrel, narrowing our view to a patch of woodland, where food and defence of territory dominate the day. The author's stance is consistent and unwavering, and the gentle drawings sustain the mood. Jan Taylor moves us away from the

traditional information book: you can't get *Scurus* for a project; it hasn't an index for instant retrieval or a contents page for quick consultation. A few years ago this zoologist would have been accused of anthropomorphism and encouragement of unscientific attitudes. Now we have a clearer understanding of the way in which children absorb information, and greater patience with their need to progress through the personal and anecdotal to the general.

The point is illustrated by the changing approach of one publisher (A. and C. Black) to the presentation of history, from Unstead's fifties' opening ("Henry VII came to the throne in 1485") to the individual focus of *Two Victorian Families* ("This is a house in Kensington in London . . ."). There is an immediate appeal in Sue Wagstaff's dolls' house view of a rich man's establishment, and through easy involvement in the personal histories of maids and mistress, servants and master, we are led to wider social perceptions. *Two Victorian Families* is to be commended for signalling one way of helping children discover the significance of information; but while the text may be post-Bullock, the commonplace nature of the illustrations takes us back to a pre-Macmillan time when words carried the meaning and pictures filled out the space—an attitude, as Henry Pluckrose's article shows, still widespread.

Elephants. By Joe Van Wormer. Angus and Robertson £2.95.
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Fall of the text

Henry Pluckrose on book design

How better to begin a brief résumé of information books than with a fable. The story is a simple one. A penniless author, living in a draughty garret, has an idea for a book on (say) butterflies. A benign publisher hears of it and, after months of planning, involving designers, artists and photographers, a masterpiece emerges to occupy a significant place on our children's bookshelves.

There the romance ends and harsh reality takes over. Indeed, some of this year's entries seem so lacking in design that one wonders whether the publisher was more concerned with filling the space between the covers than in producing a book which was adequate, visually or textually.

But what makes an exceptional information book? First, there's that indefinable appeal—a cover that seduces the eye. Wayland, in their *Young Naturalist* series (£3.50 each) have certainly succeeded in this respect. The covers of *Worms*, *Mosquitoes*, *Bees*, *Wild Cats* and *Ducks* are exciting and demand to be picked up.

The successful designer, however, does not just use the cover. Inside, the illustrations, the fall of the text on the page, the relationship between text, photographs and captions should be just as challenging. Sadly this is not always the case. The brightly coloured dust cover of *Ducks*, for example, leads not to a deepening understanding of water birds, but to disappointment. Grey photographs follow grey photographs, with captions following captions. When the reader is

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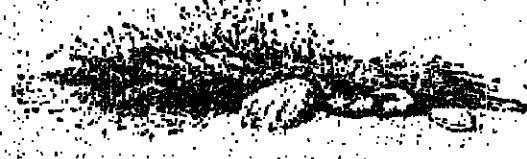
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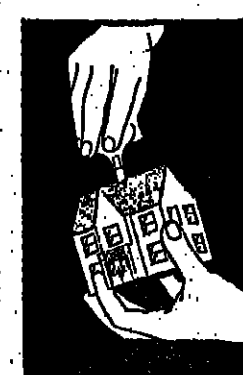
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The fatal lure of the series

Ralph Lavender on the danger of looking at the wood rather than the trees

Yet again this year, we have been reading books in series both old and new. The economics of book publishing suggest that working out a formula, ensuring that the first wave of books in the series are worthy examples of it, and then sticking to the working recipe, is one way of keeping in business. The economics of book purchase as practised by schools suggest that this works. Yet every year we are brought up sharply against the book which does not fit its series because of a change of identity or a diminution of quality—and there is the occasional book standing head and shoulders above its stablemates.

The *A Closer Look* at... series produced by Archon Press and published by Hamish Hamilton now have indexes. Of this year's three books, *Amazonian Indians* by Stephen Hugh-Jones (£2.25), is the most interesting, looking to the future as well as to the past as books in the series usually do. But what is to be made of the unimpaired statement that one Indian group, "protected by their dangerous and isolated river, escaped the worst effects of the rubber trade and early missionary efforts"? The other two books, *Grasslands and Greeks*, cannot be recommended because of dull titles, muddled material, wrong titling and wrong spelling.

One confusing page in *Greeks* shows a clutch of bossed dramatists and philosophers who were evidently all alive at the same time, alongside a mixture of gods and goddesses who are not identified; some of them are referred to in the text, and others are not. Designers seem to have taken over from writers, and the limitation of the double spread has become the arbiter of content. These books were never easy reading, being at

the top of our age range, but these three examples are harder than ever; we are in doubt as to the use most primary children are actually able to make of them.

There are too many facts and not enough knowledge in Ralph Whitlock's *Wild Cats in Wyland's Young Naturalist Books*. Any series must choose to cover a particular field of knowledge—or even, with preposterous optimism, all fields of knowledge. But how does this knowledge get parcelled out? And how do some parcels come to get compressed into one book? The same author's *Ducks* also has a wide field to view, and the descriptions of each species giving the colour markings are wearisomely repetitious, especially since all the photographs are black and white. A previous book in this series won the award in 1976, and it is time now for the publishers to cease resting on that accolade.

A new series, *Rivers of the World* (£3.50 each), comes from the same publishers. The first book, about the Rhine, is written in the official language of the guidebooks: "Europe has a number of small states... Often they are remnants of medieval principalities which have never been tidied up into the modern political map." The photographs are mostly too blue. The other book surveys the Amazon basin as far as its history, people, explorers, vegetation and wildlife are concerned in a far more acceptable, personal style; but the material is poorly organized and the maps are confusing. A series we have noticed before called *Animal Lives* (Collins) is represented this year by *Sciurus* and *Lutra*, the story of an otter by Philip Wayne (£3.95 each). Whereas the first is a competently written story about a grey squirrel's life

with an inaccurate drawing on the dustjacket, Philip Wayne's text lifts his book to a beautifully rounded account of a natural habitat shared by others. The writer assumes that everyone shares his insights and sense of mystery; his book is quite different from others in the series because it poses a special challenge to the reader.

Dent present a new series of six books by Noel Simon called *Animal Families*; and the book about tigers is noteworthy for its ecstatic account of tiger courtship. It goes on to describe the ungainly mating, which is "accompanied by a fiendish caterwauling, rising and falling on the air like the terrible moaning of souls in torment". This noise is disturbing to the whole jungle: "monkeys and birds screech with alarm, even the elephants trumpet their nervousness". The text betrays a lack of understanding of children, of how they learn and what they want to know; the description tells the child all but how tigers actually do it.

A new development this year is publishing in parallel as well as in series—taking the pictures from one series and putting them to a simpler text in another. The *Small World* series, about whales and horses and bears and elephants, is also produced by Archon Press and published by Hamish Hamilton (£1.75 each). Many of the pictures are taken from the *A Closer Look At* books, arranged in a seemingly haphazard way and accompanied by generally dull texts. It seems unlikely that good information books for browsing, or for specific fact-finding will be created in this way. The responsibility for carrying out a school's book selection should continue to examine individual books without succumbing to the fatal lure of the series.

Fall of the text

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challenged—as when invited to distinguish different species of duck in a foggy photograph of Slimbridge in winter, the result is frustration (and disbelief at the impossibility of the request).

Good photographs, well captioned, text appropriate to the age group and an easily readable type face are not the only considerations. The visual relationship between these elements is also important. Visually *Young Naturalists* fall because they feel so old fashioned, the blue off of pictures at page edges doing very little for the books except to dull the senses.

Not that information books should be condemned simply because the

photographs are of poor quality. After all, an indifferent photograph might well be more effective than an extravagant line drawing. Illustrations in *Earthworms* (£2.10), *The Pimpernel Seed* (£1.95), *The Tadpole* (£1.95) and *The Robin* (£2.10) (Worlds Work) are certainly imaginative. However, I do wonder whether a child wants a seed to have a human face, or a worm to have a contented smile.

I prefer Zaides' Lindsay's technique. In *West Indies* (A. and C. Black £2.50) she uses children's illustrations to enliven her text. I like the book, but is there any point in including a child's drawing of a snake (for example) if it adds nothing to the reader's understanding?

The organization of material in an information book is also an important consideration. *Sky and Space* by Susan Blackford (Blackie £1.70) is printed in two colours—one colour being used to give information, and the other to test the reader's general knowledge. In general the publishers have produced a

"referral" book which challenges children to answer the author's questions by going elsewhere (to other information books?) to find them. Is there any point in marketing books which are exciting but actually say nothing?

Of all this year's entries, the book which puzzled me most in the specific area of design was *Looking at Pictures* (Phaidon £3.95), a child's introduction to famous paintings, by Kate Paty. It is an attractive book, well written and excellently researched. In order to sell the book, Phaidon have induced Rolf Harris to add his name and a few personal squiggles. It is a sad mistake. Much as I enjoy Mr Harris, I prefer the work of Stubbs, Rousseau and Van Eyck to speak for themselves.

More than any other of this year's entries *Looking at Pictures* provides a classic example of what can happen when publishers forget that filling a space is not enough. The space between the covers has to be filled, but not at the expense of a child's integrity and vision.

Paperbacks

War and peace

Douglas Johnson

A Savage War of Peace: Algeria, 1954-1962. By Alistair Horne. Penguin £2.95, 14 055 170 0.

France, 1848-1945: Ambition and Love: Politics and Anger. By Theodore Zeldin. Oxford Paperbacks £2.95 each. 19 285090 3 and 19 285092 2.

It is appropriate that this paperback edition of a book which was overwhelmingly acclaimed as an exciting and perceptively written account of the French war in Algeria, should appear 25 years after the massacre of Moslem demonstrators in Sétif. This anniversary has caused much heart-seeking in France and much has recently been published in newspapers and periodicals about the war.

It is interesting to reflect that there is no equivalent book in French, which tells the story of the

war with the same panache as Mr Horne's. From the beginning, when he refers to Harold Macmillan's comment on Sétif as "a town of no great interest" (Macmillan was, with a classical scholar's eye, comparing Sétif to the nearby ruins of Trajan's Djemila), to the end where he compares France and Algeria to a married couple who have a disastrous relationship, and who will never have a straightforward relationship, Mr Horne writes in scholarly fashion with skilful narrative.

But it is also interesting that neither in France nor in Mr Horne's excellent book is there an analysis of why this tragic war started and lasted.

After all, the war in Algeria was a strange phenomenon. Of all the colonial wars (with the more understandable exception of Portugal), it was France which found decolonization most difficult and which, at a time of weakness and division, fought continuously in the Fifth Republic and in Algeria. Only in the Fifth Republic, instructed by de Gaulle around the concept of French greatness, was Algeria definitively abandoned. How can one explain such a paradox?

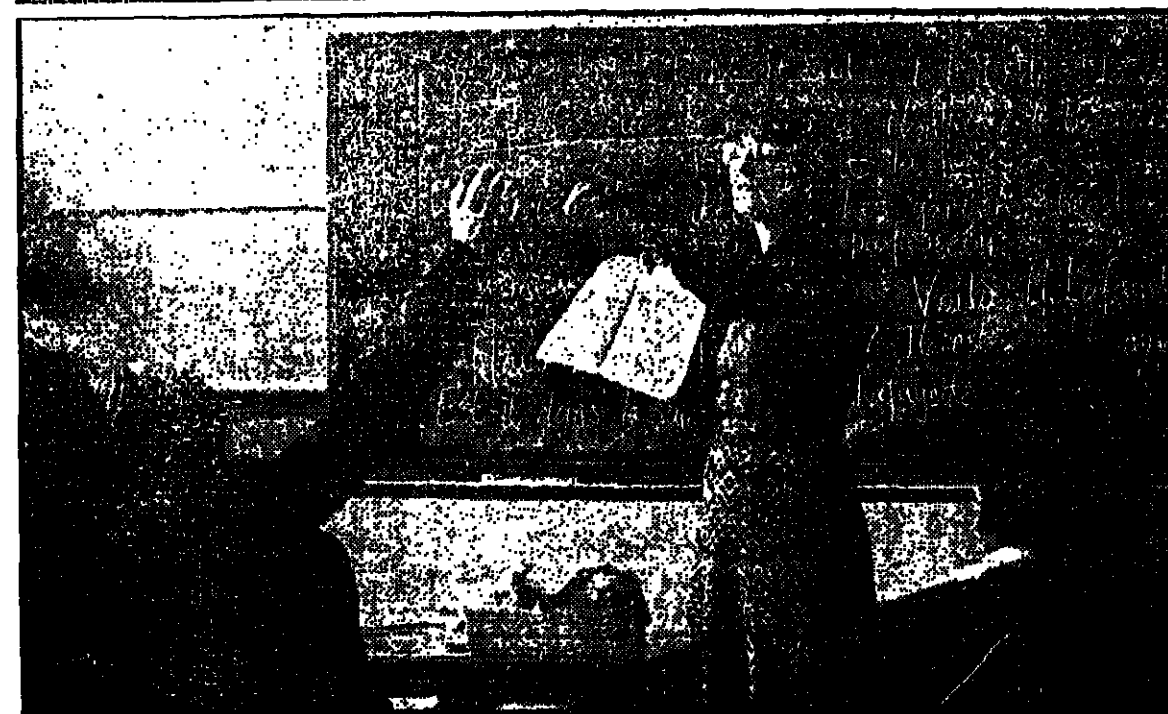
This is the sort of problem which has troubled historians, concerned themselves with the publication of the two paperback volumes of the first

volume of his important history of modern France. Could bring the necessity of approaching French history to a wider public. Although students may find it difficult to use when faced with an essay, and teachers may wonder how they are going to use this material when confronted with a class that has an A level or university entrance in mind, these volumes are to be read and re-read. They need not be learned, nor need they be believed, in the sense in which the narrative history of France is written by someone such as Alfred Cobban. It is to be learned and believed. But Dr Zeldin asks new questions. He asks about values, ambitions, behaviour. He asks questions about the role of the rich, the bourgeoisie, the intellectuals, the workers and the peasants. What about the family, women, marriage? Dr Zeldin writes about all this too, although he does come into more traditional territory when he takes political parties and politicians as his subject.

It is easy to point out that some chapters are short and unsatisfactory. That on women (in volume 2 of this paperback) for example. But others, such as that on the place of politics in life are most stimulating. This is a work to be read and re-read, praised and criticized, and therefore it is particularly welcome in paperback.

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MODERN LANGUAGE TEACHING



EXPLICIT OBJECTIVES

John Trim, director of CILT outlines a programme for the eighties.

After the euphoria of the 1960s and the "crisis" of the 1970s, what do the 1980s promise—or threaten—for modern languages? If the hopes that were placed in the new linguistics and the new technology turned out to be premature, and the widening international horizons opened up by mass travel and the Common Market failed to kindle the expected enthusiasm for foreign language learning, must we resign ourselves to a gloomy twilight future of declining numbers and standards?

Must a large proportion of our children abandon language learning with nothing to show for the efforts they have made, while more and more of those who show promise at 16 plus turn decisively away from languages when planning their sixth-form courses, so that higher studies in universities and polytechnics dwindle, as does the production of the number of qualified teachers needed to sustain our efforts to teach even one foreign language to all pupils, while employers and society in general look on with resounding indifference?

The apocalyptic scenario is easy to write. Everyone can summon up some anecdotal evidence of sullen indifference or even hostility among adolescents, of staff shortages leading to the withdrawal of all languages other than French, of a dramatic shrinkage of A-level classes, of unfilled places in polytechnics and the less popular universities, of export firms who see no openings for young people with language qualifications.

However, the alternative scenario is not difficult to write either. Work at Archbishop Michael Ramsey School, South London, and elsewhere has shown what enthusiastic and well planned modern teaching can achieve in "difficult" inner-city schools: examination entry statistics show the decline over the last decade to have been relative rather than absolute.

In fact, CSE entries in languages have grown faster than the average while O and A-level entries in languages other than French have grown faster than French, which in spite of its continuing overall pre-

dominance has stood still while other curricular subjects have expanded at a much greater rate (see Fig 1).

Higher education offers a rich diversity of courses, many of which have been competition for places, while the demand for special-purpose language teaching from students in other faculties is growing apace. The recent RSA report on languages in industry shows that the firms which do employ modern language graduates predominate among the recipients of the Queen's Award. The series of multi-media language programmes produced by the 26th Department of Continuing Education have been outstandingly successful. The booklets accompanying *Kontak* and *Ensemble* have both headed the list of paperback bestsellers. There is perhaps no other curricular subject which lends itself to such conflicting interpretations—perhaps none in which there is a wider gap between the best and worst practice or deeper divisions of opinion on objectives as well as methods.

The oldest tradition, strongly entrenched at A level and in the older universities (including, by now, the first-wave civic universities), looks on language learning academically as a training in intellectual rigour and a necessary preliminary to the study of the high literary culture of the language community concerned.

Taking its values and methods from the classical tradition it attaches little importance to "mere" facility in speaking a language and shows little interest in everyday use of the language. It sees the learner's progress as a series of steps towards the more complete mastery of formal grammar, a steady extension of vocabulary. It uses English as its working language, keeping the foreign language at a distance as an object of study. It evaluates the student by the accuracy of his translations (often specially composed to present a series of traps and snares), and his ability to construct a sustained intellectual discourse.

From the time of Wilhelm

Viator's celebrated call for reform about 100 years ago, the classical tradition has been under increasing pressure from the modernists, drawing on the findings of linguistics. This tradition aims to enable the learner to communicate effectively with other users of the language. It emphasizes the primacy of speech over writing and of everyday usage over literary culture.

The "crisis" in modern languages" results to a large extent from the fact that the classical model commands less and less acceptance in today's conditions. Developed as a way of sorting sheep from goats in grammar schools, it appears to the majority of pupils in comprehensive schools to have little relevance to their interests and needs. Yet its continuing hold upon many important centres of higher education means that language graduates are often equipped with values, knowledge and often skills remote from the realities of the classroom or the practical needs and demands of society.

This remoteness, or the corresponding image in the public mind, goes far to explain the under-use of modern language graduates by industry, and also the proportion of modern language graduates entering the teaching profession, which is, by European standards, very low.

Those who do enter teaching find themselves faced with the need for a far-reaching reorientation of values, knowledge and techniques, which being the product of an elite-forming system, they find both psychologically and—given the extreme brevity of postgraduate training—practically very difficult. "Modern" language teaching becomes a chore, relieved by literary discussion with a dwindling sixth form.

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learn energetically and realistically. This new consensus is very much in line with principles worked out in some detail in a project of the Council of Europe since 1971.

It is agreed that languages are learnt for purposes of communication. We should therefore try to establish what the future communicative needs of the pupils will be, and spell out accordingly what the learner should be able to do in the future situations. In *The Threshold Level* and the corresponding *Unit* (Nieuwenhuis), the Council of Europe has done this for the range of everyday situations likely to confront a visitor to a foreign country, and has explored in systematic detail the linguistic implications, not only in terms of structures and vocabulary, but also in terms of the ideas or notions we need to express and the effects we aim to produce (apologies, orders, requests, offers, threats, etc.). Similar "functional-linguistic" specifications for Spanish, German and Italian are an advanced state and are expected to appear in the course of 1980.

Not all possible communicative needs can of course be satisfied, nor will all learners acquire the ability to communicate in the same way. The planning of a language course must pay attention to different learning styles and establish priorities, setting objectives which are not only desirable but attainable

given the abilities of learners and the available educational resources. If this is done, we can set learners objectives which commend themselves to parents and pupils as practical and useful, attainable by the great majority of pupils in the short-term, and building up in a step-by-step fashion.

Perhaps the most heartening feature of the immediate prospect for modern languages is the extent to which this kind of planning has sprung up in many different parts of the country, by a combined action of teachers, usually working together with ten advisers, lecturers in university departments of education, teachers' centres or examining boards.

This movement, to develop a graded series of short-term explicit communicative objectives with associated tests leading to a public attestation, takes different forms in different places, as one would expect from local initiatives in our decentralized system.

Some, as the Lothian and West Sussex schemes, are explicitly based on Council of Europe specifications; others on the older but similarly conceived Nuffield defined syllabuses. Some, as in the South-West non-graded credit scheme, aim primarily at the less academic, most attempt to cover the ability range, by varying the time taken over each stage, the number of stages or language covered, the range of activities encompassed, or by allowing for a number of different levels of response to the same situations, as

do the materials sponsored by the Scottish Consultative Committee on the Curriculum.

As is also to be expected, the schemes vary widely in the number of languages and levels or stages so far developed. The longer established pioneering groups, such as Oxfordshire and York, have developed up to three levels and are concerned with the interface between the higher levels and the 16 plus examinations.

Others just entering the field, such as the East Midlands scheme of which Dr Roy Dunning of Leicester University Department of Education has recently been appointed coordinator can derive much benefit from the experience of others by bringing all interested parties together from the start and planning for a highly flexible scheme adaptable not only to the needs and characteristics of learners but also to the established skills and successful practice of teachers.

The number of schemes has expanded rapidly and is still growing. Believing in the value of local initiatives, but also aware of the benefits teachers in one area can derive from the experience of others, and expecting that to sustain their achievements groups will experience a need to pool efforts in

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producing tests and materials, the Centre for Information on Language Teaching and Research organized in April a colloquy of representatives of some 40 groups of teachers and members of the inspectorate, advisory services, examining boards and other interested bodies to exchange information and experience and consider future plans.

A committee known as GOML (Graded Objectives in Modern Languages) was set up to keep groups in touch. Assisted by a grant from the Mary Glasgow Trust, working groups are planned to look into such problems as those raised by higher levels, or testing classroom methods and materials. The following list, from North to South, shows the geographical distribution of schemes currently known to be in operation: Lothian, Northumbria, Newcastle, Cleveland, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Oldham, Corston M/C, Sheffield, E. Midlands, N. Staffs, Shropshire, Dudley, Wolverhampton, Birmingham, Northants, Hereford/Worce, Suffolk, Oxfordshire, Herts, ILEA, Archbishop Michael Ramsey, Hillingdon, Harrogate, Barnet, Waltham Forest, Bromley, Kent, W. Sussex, N. Wiltshire, South West (Credit Scheme).

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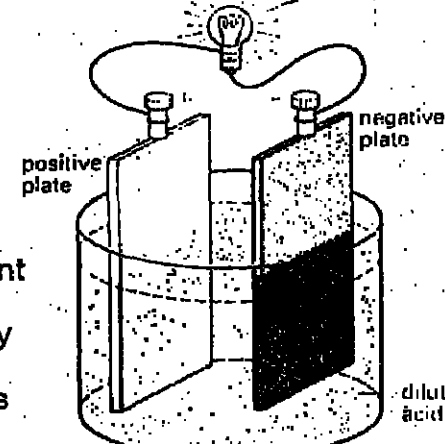
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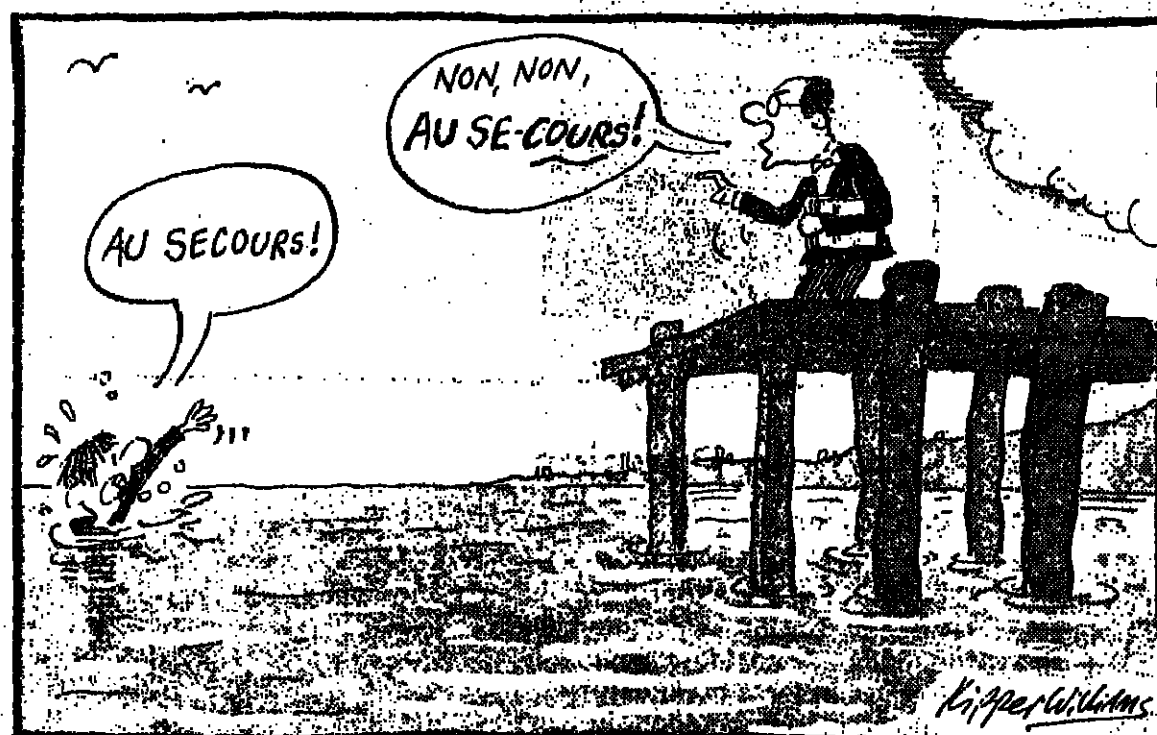


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AWARENESS OF LANGUAGE

By Eric Hawkins, Professor Emeritus, York University

Are we at last going to see the study of "language" take its place as the key to the rest of the curriculum in the 1980s?

I have been looking at some half a dozen syllabuses now being tried out in schools, aimed at "awareness of language". Teachers are feeling their way, trying various approaches and the exciting thing is that in many, not all, these sample syllabuses the initiative has come from the teachers of modern languages. It is they who have secured the cooperation of their English department colleagues in an effort to bridge the space between these two areas of the curriculum which ought to have so much in common, and which are so tightly sealed off from each other both at school and at university.

This alone would be a great step forward but the "awareness of language" approach offers two further advantages: a more effective attack on foreign language learning across the ability range, by giving all pupils the requisite "tools for learning language"; and a new "linking subject" where pupils in multiracial and bilingual schools can find common ground, which English could not offer.

In taking this initiative foreign language teachers are in part reacting against the parochialism of the Bullock report. *A Language for Life* Bullock thought in so many ways admirable, made no mention in all its 600 pages of the fact that the pupils whose language for life it discusses will also be studying a foreign language and that their adult lives will be lived in ever closer interdependence on a polyglot world. The Bullock solution of language across the curriculum turns out to be a half-way across the curriculum only.

Now, in some schools, all language teachers are joining in Boards of Language Studies to explore approaches to "awareness of language". It is lack of this awareness, they believe, that lies behind failure to learn to read as well as failure to enjoy the adventure into a foreign language.

What is "awareness of language"? Margaret Donaldson, of Edinburgh University, has described it most sensitively in *Children's Minds* (Fontana).

"In the early stages, before the child has developed a full awareness of language, language is embedded for him in the flow of events that accompany it. So long as this is the case, the child does not interpret words in isolation, he interprets situations. He is more concerned to make sense of what people do when they talk and act than to decide what words mean."

What is going to be required in our educational system is that he should learn to turn language and thought in upon themselves.

He must become capable of manipulating symbols... the first step is the step of conceptualizing language—becoming aware of it as a separate structure, freeing it from its embeddedness in events.

"Some children come to school with this step already taken, or at least already begun. They come with an enormous initial advantage. But for a great many children come to school not even aware that separate words exist—that the flow of speech can be broken up into these units."

Language awareness underlies what Jakobson (1) has called "analytic competence" whose principal feature is that it "involves the prolonged operation of thought processes exclusively on linguistic representations... it is heavily studied little."

Perhaps we have not given enough thought to the demands that heavy stress on verbal learning in school makes on many children. As Bruner says: "The learning of language is a great many different activities. It is a qualitatively different activity from learning to use language internally as a technique of representation."

Another contribution to the debate on awareness of language is G. Mattingley's paper in *Language for Life* and *Language for Life* (ii) speaking of "language awareness" as "primary activities" for which we are all pre-programmed at birth. Reading, however, is a secondary activity which relies critically on the "reader's awareness of the pri-

mary activities. There is no innate capability for reading. Mattingley finds considerable individual variation in linguistic awareness, in contrast to the relative consistency of primary linguistic activity.

Without active linguistic awareness, says Mattingley, much thinking would be impossible. Verbalization, he suggests, depends on linguistic awareness while alphabetic writing requires a higher degree of awareness than logographic or syllabary systems. Mattingley borrows A. M. Liberman's phrase: "Reading is parasitic on language."

Is this this secondary or parasitic activity that so many of our pupils never master. K. Gardner has estimated "25 per cent of pupils at present leave school insufficiently adept at reading to cope adequately with a daily newspaper".

Is the learning (especially the reading) of a foreign language also "parasitic" in Liberman's sense of awareness of the primary language activity? If so, foreign language teachers and mother tongue teachers can indeed make common cause.

It is this that makes the enterprise of the groups of teachers working on awareness of language syllabuses so welcome. Obviously there is much more thinking and experiment to be done and nobody would be satisfied with what has so far been proposed. The schemes I have seen all start at secondary level and this is much too late to begin. An adequate scheme would involve planning by teams of secondary, junior and nursery teachers and I would suggest three guidelines:

The work should begin at the pre-school stage, using teachers' aides as proposed by Plovidien in 1967, suitably trained and in sufficient numbers to permit individual dialogue with children.

The syllabus should be progressive throughout the junior school and should link with the secondary course; this would mean that (as proposed by Bullock) all teachers at primary level and (I would hope) all foreign language and mother tongue teachers at secondary level, would receive appropriate preparation during their initial training. The syllabus would not be limited to the development of awareness of surface features and the manipulation of symbols but would learn

from the work on concept formation of e.g. "Concept 7.9".

The adventure into a foreign language is ultimately the best training in linguistic awareness in a multi-racial country and a polyglot European and world community. Indeed I do not see how awareness of the mother tongue could ever be more than partial unless the learner has felt what it is like to operate outside it. But many children need to be prepared for foreign language learning as the Bursall work showed.

We now have a start. Pioneering teachers have shown that mother tongue specialists and modern linguists can sit down together and plan a common syllabus. The first fruits of this must be the realization that we badly need an agreed "metalinguage" in which to talk about language with children.

This would be a useful pilot for the National Congress (or CILT symposium?). We can expect some exciting developments in multi-racial and bilingual schools and the possibilities of this new shared meeting ground in the curriculum are seen.

Below are listed just a few of the classroom activities that teachers are working on. It is hoped to bring together teachers experimenting along these lines. May I ask schools working on language courses to write to me care of Language Teaching Research Project, Micklegate House, Micklegate, York YO1 1JZ.

Beginners: *Thinking with the Ears* as described by Furth and Wachs (ii) in co-operation with music teachers.

Experiments in communicating without language. Practice with alternative writing systems (pictographs/braille) and signal systems (morse etc) and information coding for storage etc.

Comparison of phonetic and conventional spellings of common names and songs.

Games with "backslang" etc; verbal riddles and double meaning. Progressive games with code cracking using numbers and letters. Songs in European/ethnic minority languages, using simplified phonetic transcriptions. District maps with place names traced to origins.

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An Italian mother tongue specialist at work in a Bedfordshire classroom

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Later stages:

Progressive exercises in sound/rhythm/intonation discrimination. Discrimination of similarity/difference in syntax patterns heard/seen.

Comparison of spoken and written language, spotting differences.

Comparison of dialects/languages of ethnic minorities spoken in school (which sounds does each group find hard to imitate? how do the stress and intonation habits of each group make comprehension difficult?).

Translation of e.g. creole popular songs into text-book English and

vice versa as cooperative class exercises. Notes by 5th Formers from own experience intended to help younger beginners in first steps in French.

Notes by older pupils from ethnic minorities intended to help younger immigrant pupils learning English.

Study of language acquisition by young babies (using video-tape and case studies) as part of "preparation for parenthood" courses for adolescents (as suggested in Bullock Report).

Making of linguistic maps of United Kingdom/Europe/World.

At 6th Form and FE stage. We may at last see implemented the recommendation of the SSEC

in 1964 of an optional language element in the English paper at GCE A level.

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Eric Hawkins retired this year from the Chair of Education (Language Teaching) at the University of York. He was elected the University's first Emeritus Professor on his retirement.



A NATURAL COMPROMISE

By Robert Bear

Few people are satisfied with the present state of French teaching in secondary schools. One of the frequently asserted ambitions of Labour or Conservative governments is to raise general standards in modern languages. But HMI reports and other ministerial prodings can do little. What the situation requires is a thorough critical reappraisal by teachers themselves of their methods and achievements, and it is up to them to try to bring about the much-desired improvements. We can only be saved by our own efforts.

In previous TES articles (April, 1976, and November, 1978) I made these suggestions: eight to 10 periods allocated to French in the first two or three years; open-ended homework; French as an optional subject; priority to oral and choral work; learning through literature. I now wish to make a few comments on what appears to be the choppy-turvy approach now in use in the classroom and to suggest a possible alternative.

Most French courses are devised round the dual need of building up vocabulary and grammatical knowledge. Superficially this seems sensible enough. So lesson follows lesson with connected sentences and exercises to illustrate this or that grammatical point, this or that verb.

The content of such sentences seldom rises above the most elementary level, and the gradual unfolding of what are considered to be the various grammatical stages is drawn out over four or five years.

No wonder if, in these circumstances, the numerous intricacies of French grammar frequently result in a defeatist attitude among pupils and, at times, among teachers. Unpredictable genders, agreements, positions of pronouns and adjectives, verbs, verbs, verbs... not to mention those wholly uninspiring lists of words to be memorized prove far too complicated and unattractively boring.

Usually these basic and rather off-putting hurdles are relentlessly tackled year-in-year-out. After a long, long period of painstaking labour few pupils among those who survive the gruelling course, are capable of understanding a simple newspaper article or short novel, or of holding an ordinary conversation in that language.

Of course grammar and vocabulary are indispensable. What is in question here is whether one sets about it the right way. Is there

not some confusion in our minds as to the actual meaning of grammatical rules? The very use of the word "rules" in this context is somewhat misleading, implying, as it were, that language like a game of chess or rugby has to conform to some instructions and be played according to them.

Actually, as we all know, language had been in existence long before there was any thought of rules. Grammatical rules, when they come, are an attempt, and nothing but an attempt, at explaining a living thing: *Le Bon Usage*. So-called exceptions and irregularities, in their hordes, are normal parts of the language that simply refuse to be conceptualized within those *a posteriori* rules.

Très, the Académie Française, grammarians and great writers have, directly or indirectly, exerted some influence in bringing some order and logic into a chaotic state of affairs. But the language that we use in French is still essentially fluid and to a great extent elusive. The fact remains, too, that French children like all other children live their language first. They study their grammar afterwards.

School-teaching strategy should therefore be a compromise between the natural approach of the native learner and the current totally artificial methods. This compromise would aim at familiarizing young pupils with the living language through a prompt immersion in it, say after a term or so, using lively texts and simple stories, before getting involved in the detailed study of grammar.

This study (with its accompanying drill) must eventually form part of any course, but it will be more meaningful and go down more easily if pupils can relate them to texts they have read and enjoyed.

As already indicated, the first term could serve for some intensive practice of French sounds individually and collectively, and for a few easy words. Some of the basic differences between French and English... Beginners should soon acquire some idea about the notions of gender and number; the parts of speech; agreements; the general structure of verbs; and, as other basic points deemed of major significance.

The purpose of these first lessons is not to lay a solid foundation (this will come later), but to provide a useful awareness that learning a foreign language is tantamount to

travelling to another land with different customs and traditions.

There should be no question in the early stages of a deliberate attempt to master anything before moving on. It is a fallacy to compare a language to a skyscraper, the building of which demands deep solid foundations, with the different floors being erected in the right order. There are no absolute gradations in apprehending the various problems presented by the different parts of speech or different tenses. I have

heard a university professor or two hesitate between *le la bourse, le la mythe, un/une caractéristique*, and it could easily be argued that the perfect, future and other tenses of... or verbs may be learnt and retained more easily than say the present of *aller, boire or dire*.

The introductory period over the numerous readers readily available should constitute the main part of lessons for the next two years or so. My own preference would go to abridged and simplified versions of well-known works, such as those in the Easy Readers series published in this country by John Murray.

I would occasionally alternate this rather sustained reading with shorter, practical and intellectually less demanding passages of a good course. Moving fairly fast one would return to already covered ground every three or four weeks, repeating this process two or three times.

At every revision the text would become more familiar, and with some guidance the pupil would notice and absorb more grammar and verbs. In ordinary life too, in one's own language one covers the same ground again and again. This need not be either monotonous or wasteful, far from it.

As the pupils know their texts better and better, the oral exercises on them can become more fluent and the written exploitation more varied and meaningful. One could begin to study grammar more seriously some time in the third year. When they reach the fourth or fifth forms pupils should be able to read without too much difficulty unsimplified French, in texts of their own intellectual level.

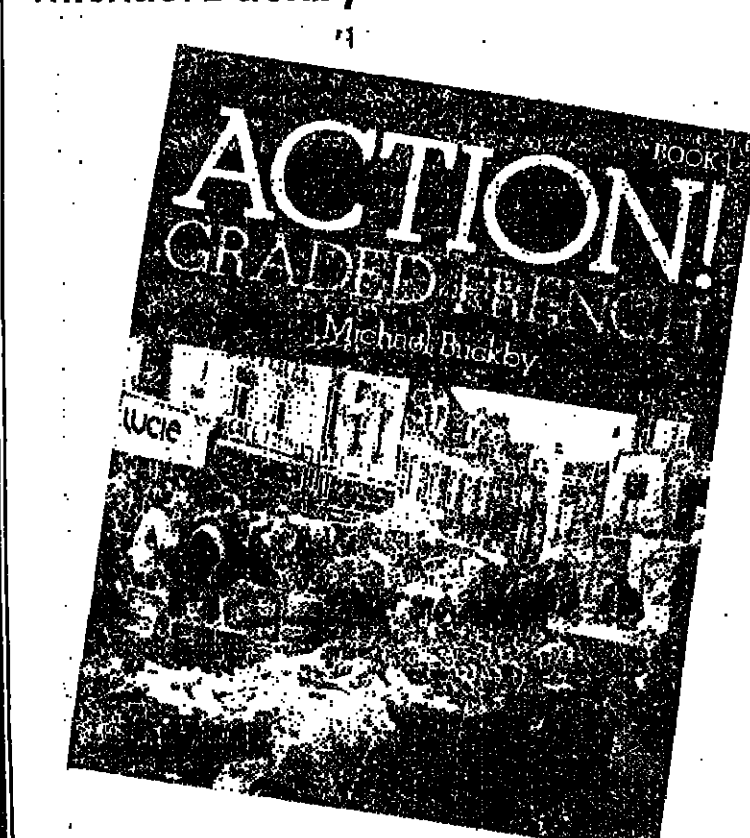
No teaching approach carries with it an automatic guarantee of success. Moreover, this short article leaves many questions unanswered. So, however, believe that most pupils capable of learning and enjoying French would greatly appreciate the fact that learning a foreign language is tantamount to

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RAISING MORALE

G.E. Perren on intensive language teaching in school

What do language teachers mean by intensive teaching? How is it different from ordinary teaching? It might well be argued that all teaching should be intensive—that is, concentrated on clearly defined aims and demanding of hard work and continuous application. Clearly, however, modern language teachers mean more than this when they refer to intensive teaching.

Intensive Language Teaching in Schools, a publication in which a number of teachers describe their own interpretation and practice, indicates some of its common characteristics. First, it seems, there must be the concentration of time often into continuous blocks on the timetable, as opposed to a diluted drip-feed. There is an obvious advantage in avoiding long gaps between lessons, during which hard-won gains in such skills as speech are often eroded. Sustained concentration may consolidate gains without necessarily increasing the total expenditure of time on the whole course.

Second, there may be a concentration on particular modes of use or skills which need great practice—such as oral skills—for continuous periods longer than can be provided in a multi-purpose global course as conventionally timetabled. An important advantage is that pupils can see and appreciate their own progress and thereby increase their self-confidence and interest.

Third, and perhaps most important of all, intensive teaching may permit—or better still require—the use of a foreign language for some other purpose than merely learning it. The sheer boredom of many language classes lies in their repetitive and tedious practice or exercises, often cunningly devised to promote memorization for examinations, but which emphasize structural or lexical accuracy at the expense of the slightest interest to pupils. Too often more attempts at communication lead to self-consciousness about mistakes in syntax or pronunciation, disastrous to confidence and initiative. Somewhere in the language teaching class there must be opportunities for pupils to use language as a medium and not merely to demonstrate it as a system.

A common claim for all intensive courses is that they improve the morale of both teachers and pupils when depressed by prolonged

non-achievement. This is especially true for the so-called less able, often in fact the less interested.

One cannot too often recall that much language teaching in school depends on artificially contrived situations and that most people, given the opportunity, can learn languages far better out of school whatever their academic ability. Indeed there is evidence of the psychological value of holding intensive courses outside the normal school environment and associated with miscellaneous social activities.

Within schools, the most intensive language learning is possible, paradoxically, when the object is learning something else; that is, in sections or bilinguals. Here it is assumed that language is best learned through its use in teaching other subjects, combining learning, practice and purposeful communication at the same time. But there are only few examples in Britain of such a thorough commitment: Mill Hill School has operated a section bilingual since 1972 in which nearly half those entering the school now participate; Goff's School, Cheshunt, has one and Haygrove School, Bridgewater has tried it with mixed ability groups. In all cases the subjects taught (in French) are history and geography. In any such project, however, parental approval and support is probably essential for success and suitably qualified staff to maintain continuity must be assured.

There are less comprehensive ways of intensifying learning. A well-known example is Archbishop Michael Ramsey School, Cambridge, where a complete timetable reorganization has permitted additional and concentrated time for the teaching of languages, coupled with a modular syllabus to lighten the load on teachers. Naturally—and desirably—this entails some careful replanning of objectives.

In a number of schools periodic bursts of intensity seem to be arranged for examination candidates, characterized by increased time rather than by any change in aims, syllabus or methods of teaching. More widespread, possibly because less disturbing to orthodox timetables, are intensive courses organized outside normal school classes but aimed to support and replace them. These may have the benefit of staff unavailable in the

schools. Examples are provided by the work of the Language Teaching Centre at the University of Exeter—a one-year Russian course for pupils from local schools which does not offer Russian remedial courses for O level and CSE candidates, the so-called reciprocal courses in French and English students learning each other's languages. Somerset Language Centre provides French and German courses for sixth-formers and special residential courses are provided by Le and schools in Sussex and Long Itfordshire has organized residential courses in French for many school pupils as well as older children. Such courses are often the product of the initiative of local advisers working with more enthusiastic class teachers.

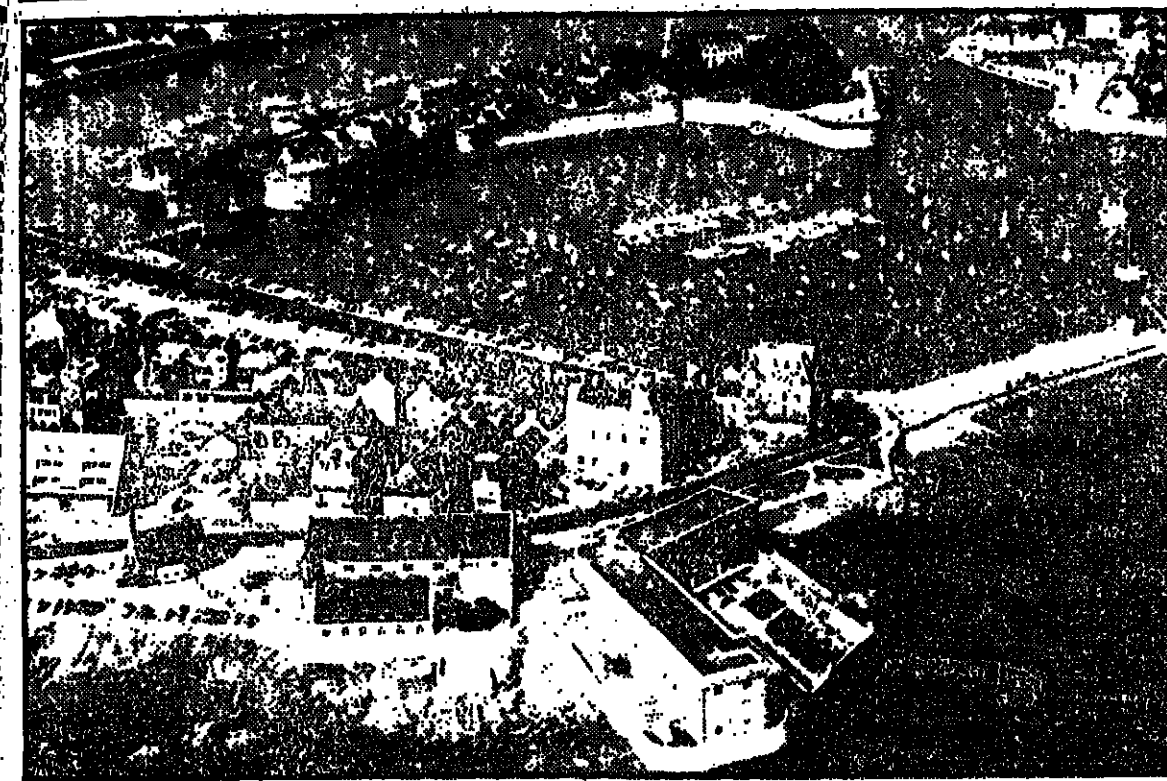
All this seems encouraging, teachers involved, as might be expected, claim that such courses are successful and increase motivation, interest and achievement. A question arises: do they represent a flight from the orthodox mode of language teaching? A change from routine can help to provide a flying start, now work, but it seems that success so frequently claimed for intensive courses of all kinds is a severe criticism of some class teaching.

No doubt the amount of time required for effective foreign language learning is consistently underestimated by curriculum planners, by many language teachers, by teachers inevitably attempting to increase learning time; most intensive courses are devised to do it in school or out of school. Language learning is very much the product of time spent at the task, and this can be best spread or concentrated as teachers see fit.

Another question which is repugnant to study is exactly how the aims, content and technique of language teaching are influenced by the customs of a conventional timetable. A high concentration of learning within a period may be much more effective than the more conventional learning spread across the secondary day. But this might involve a tighter specification of objectives as well as a careful evaluation of potential achievement.

Intensive language teaching schools, compiled and edited by E. W. Hawkins and G. E. Perren, CILT, 1978.

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The waterfront at Concarneau. In the foreground, looking out to sea, The Laboratory of Marine Biology and next to it The Youth Hostel.

GONE FISHING...

Wilfred J. Perry describes a French project undertaken by students and staff of Rolle College, Exmouth

It is the practice in Rolle College, Exmouth, for first and second-year students to devote the last week of the academic year to some form of project work in their main subject.

In the French department each year we take our students to France for that week for an *étude de milieu*, a kind of environmental study now very popular among the French.

This sort of work fits in admirably with our particular approach to French studies. With an almost entirely French native staff, we conduct all our teaching in French. Indeed we like to think that, rather than teach French at Rolle College, we use it at all times with the students to investigate things French, be it literature, language or institutions.

Recently we took some 20 students to Concarneau in Brittany for an intensive study of the fishing industry in that most delightful of French sea ports—so picturesque indeed that a small group of students from the art department accompanied us there with one of their tutors and produced some excellent paintings, which were exhibited on our last day in Concarneau in the Centre des Arts et de la Culture.

On these "work week" projects the pattern of work remains essentially the same: after careful preparation during the second half of the summer term, our students carry out their investigation mainly by means of recorded interviews with French people working in the relevant fields. The recordings are then summarized with the help of tutors (on this occasion there were two of us and two French assistants) at the end of each day. Questions of general interest, but still relevant to the topic, are dealt with in formal talks given to the students by invited speakers. These talks too are recorded and summarized like the rest. The students' findings are then written out and illustrated neatly on cards, which these constitute the main record of our work.

On the last evening we invite all the people who have helped us (there were some 50 in all in Concarneau) to a formal reception at which the written work is displayed and the evening is dramatized and often light-hearted. It is given of what we have learned in the course of the week. And since, for the French, *l'ouïe finit par une chanson*, we end the evening with a little rap of French songs, learned to some extent as part of our preparation for the visit. On this occasion it was on the theme of *The Sea*.

During the Easter vacation preceding the visit, I spent a few days in Concarneau to prepare the work. My preliminary visits are of para-

mount importance. Initial contacts can be established by correspondence, but there is no substitute for an on-the-spot planning of the study.

A few months before, I had written to the mayor of Concarneau for names of people who might be willing to assist us in the project. We have always found it best to start in that way (*Nioux veut s'adresser au Bon Dieu qu'à ses Saints!*). My letter explained in detail what were our objectives and what assistance we were looking for on the part of our French hosts. Then followed an interesting exercise in diplomacy. I have always found the French most willing to take an interest in our work and help us in all they can, provided they understand clearly what is wanted, and that our approach is both tactful and businesslike.

Our first consideration, naturally, was to find suitable accommodation. The mayor suggested we stayed at Concarneau's youth hostel, which is delightfully situated on the waterfront—and special arrangements were made for our reception there. The time of year (just before the beginning of the high season) made it possible, among other things, for meals to be provided for us there and for the normal chores, expected of youth hostellers to be reduced to the minimum so that we would have more time to devote to our project.

We needed a large workshop and one was conveniently found right next door to the *auberge de jeunesse*; a small library suitably furnished was put at our disposal in the research laboratory of the Collège de France. It was a truly magnificent room at the end of the building, with a view of the sea on three sides.

The deputy mayor gave me an introduction to the persons who were to help me plan the work and among whom I was able to find our main speakers:

M. Hervé Gloux, curator of Concarneau's magnificent *Musée de la Pêche*, the finest fishing museum in Europe; M. Le Dars, *Directeur de la Pêche*, responsible for Concarneau's huge fish auction; M. Martin, *Administrateur des Affaires Maritimes*, who is the local representative of the government department responsible for fisheries in France. He turned out to be an impressive and charming gentleman in the uniform of the French Navy (the Bretons, incidentally, still refer to the navy as *La Royale* as it was known in the days of the Ancien Régime).

Other persons I was introduced to included the principal of the *Ecole de pêche*, the director of the Centre des Arts et de la Culture, the manager of a shipbuilding firm, a churning factory, and an ice

factory; a leading *mureur* (fish wholesaler) and a fish retailer in the town itself.

All these people were eager to assist us, and planning the week's work with their help was a fascinating exercise.

The main talks given to the group in June were the following:

(1) The Port of Concarneau (M. Hucot, *Directeur adjoint de la Crée*).

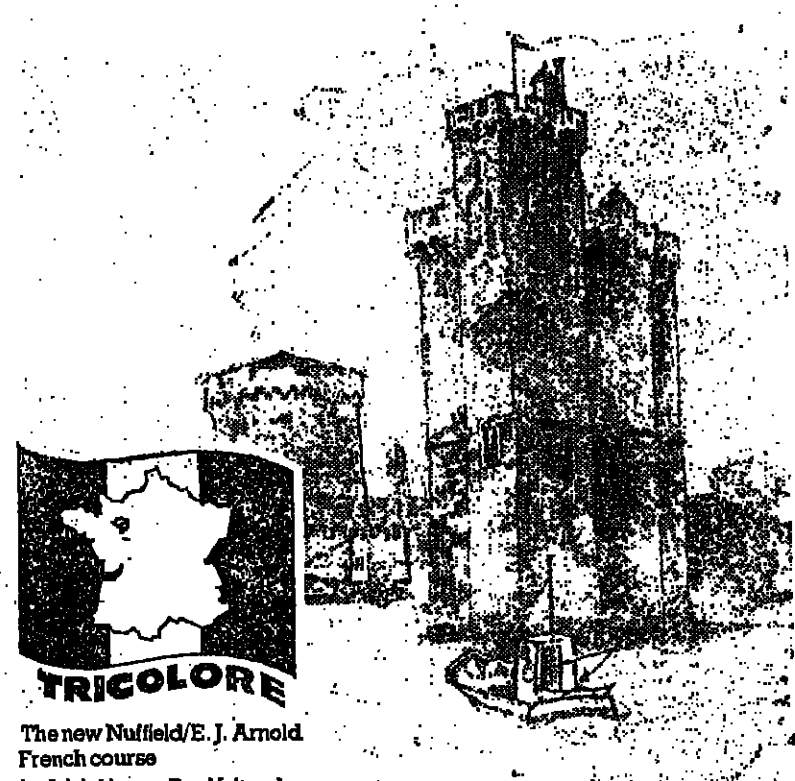
(2) The Fishing Industry in France, with special reference to Concarneau (M. Maa, *Administrateur adjoint des Affaires Maritimes du quartier de Concarneau*).

(3) The Impact of the Fishing Industry upon the town of Concarneau (the Deputy Mayor, M. Argouarch).

Other activities involving the whole group included a midnight guided visit to the bustling *Crée* (where we witnessed the landing of the fish, its preparation for the auction, and the sale itself with all its curious rituals); a visit on board one of Concarneau's largest trawlers, specializing in tuna fishing off the coast of West Africa (Concarneau's most important source of income at the present time), and an informal discussion over an English cup of tea with a group of seamen's wives.

For two whole days the students went out in pairs with tape recorders to interview a variety of people connected with the fishing industry. Four students (brave ones these!) went out on an eighteen-

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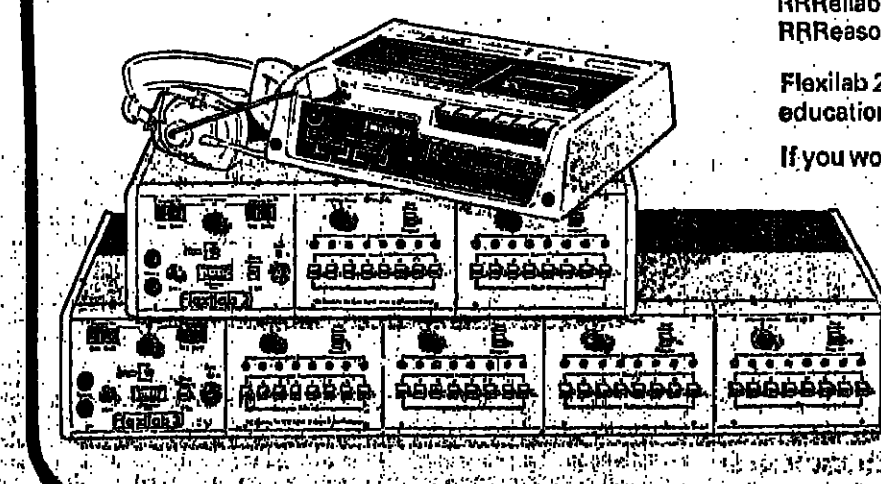
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The Oxford Companion to Spanish Literature. Edited by Philip Ward. Oxford University Press £10.00, 19 866114 2. Cassell's Spanish Dictionary, Cassell, £5.95, 304 52290 2.

Here is a new and welcome addition to the Oxford Companion series: a major undertaking of 630 closely set pages. Mr Ward's approach is bibliographical rather than historical, and his professional librarian's skills and training are clearly evident in his clear, compressed and purposeful style.

The literary span is wide: writers and their works from Roman days until 1977... Seneca to Sastre. Mr Ward has given due attention to Spanish-American writing, especially that of the present. Portuguese is deliberately excluded; Mr Ward's claim to do justice to literature in the non-Castilian languages of Spain, Catalan, Galician and Basque, will certainly be challenged, especially by the Catalans. This also and scope will be to more serious students of Spanish at A level and beyond, and, possibly, to the uninitiated in search of quick facts and features. Such users will find their factual information easily but they may be disappointed that they want background information on Spanish literary and cultural movements and trends. Outside the Golden Age, Mr Ward has skilfully treated the history of literary schools and linked art forms. Contemporary history and politics also show gaps. Falsamán may have been an empty vessel but the works of its major apologist, José Antonio

Prado de Rivera, surely deserve a paragraph. So does the influential Barcelona school of historiography of the late Jaime Vicens Vives.

Modern writers are certainly in the majority as measured by numbers of entries, yet Mr Ward reflects traditional critical opinion by giving much the longest entry—eight columns not counting space devoted to his major works—to Lope de Vega. Calderón has four, Cervantes five and the Libros de buen amor four. No later writers, even Galdós and Lorca, break the three-column barrier.

Accusations of sine of omission must be the chief occupational hazard of reference book compilers: as for the other sort, compilers, I think, and my best I can manage is a request for a recount on the biography of the Galician poetress Rosalía de Castro, born in 1837 and married in 1820. (sic) Blagar and better than this will doubtless turn up for future correction. But the editor (why not compiler?) deserves congratulation, not castigation: this is a major, pioneering work of its kind and also a good read.

Another recent, weighty Spanish reference work is Cassell's English, English-Spanish dictionary. Anthony Gooch and Angel García de Paredes, both well-known in Anglo-Spanish circles, have collaborated on this new edition of a book (100) is about 350 pages less than its predecessor, but there has been some rigorous pruning of both individual entries and information. For many words, this is no loss. Old Cassell's readers will prefer a synonym for

one, by suppression, consists in to the Middle Ages where they long.

Economies have also been by shortening the catalogue words that appear, in alphabetical order, although an obvious pun or subsuming some of them into headword entry. This may cause confusion to Spanish-speaking who will be less familiar with British pattern structures. Everyone who has ever used a dictionary has complained the problem of choosing the right one out of a long list of 30 or who has not, at some time, for a dictionary to the dictionary. Spanish word I think, and a most aggravating in this respect, doubt due to the great richness of both tongues. Mr Cassell, though showing a slight improvement over the old, is still the best, in its size and range, at giving the clues in context.

Nor is it good on colloquial slang expressions, and vulgarisms. This is a disappointment not to prudent schoolboys but to readers of modern novels. The publishers of a great number of the taboo list in recent years: new dictionary reflects this to a limited degree. This is a great pity, as the compilers, Mr Gooch and Mr García de Paredes, have done a great job. Dr Johnson has told us that dictionaries need longer to produce than other books, and it would be unfair to expect neologisms at the moment, but a lot of the most important words omitted. Cassell's goes back to Franco level, undergraduate or postgraduate students, this is no loss. Old Cassell's readers will prefer a synonym for

to have, as last year's new 1971 Collins.

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Crew members of the "Elinelle" with whom students sailed on a fishing expedition.

"Gone fishing" continued from page 41.

A wide variety of articles were written up by the students on the strength of the interviews and the lectures. A few titles will give some indication of the field covered:

- Les Principales Pêches basées sur Concarneau.
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That last question, it will be seen,

had to be approached with great tact, seeing that the British had unilaterally extended their fishing limits to 12 miles just a few weeks before to the detriment of Breton trawlermen.

It should be mentioned here that part of our preparation had been a brief survey of the British fishing industry. In particular we made a study of the port of Brixham, near us in Devon, in order to familiarize ourselves a little with essential technical matters (methods of fishing, names of fish, marketing processes, fishing laws and regulations) that would eventually enable us to understand more readily what we would see and learn in Concarneau. Valuable time was saved in that way, and the level of inquiry was consequently much higher.

Articles were also written about that aspect of our work, and these proved of no small interest to our hosts, e.g.:

- Les Méthodes de pêche dans le Devon.
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- Quelques difficultés des pêcheurs Britanniques.
- La Grande Bretagne refuse de participer aux nouvelles discussions sur la pêche dans le Marché Commun.

Lastly, we were privileged to have with us a programme producer and a cameraman from the Devon Educational Television Services in Plymouth who worked alongside us in Concarneau making video-recordings for use in schools. The visual material produced will be used at different levels for lessons in both French and environmental studies.

I should like to put on record here the generous help we received from the people of Concarneau. The Bretons are proud of their heritage and we have certainly found them not as reluctant as some would think to share with outsiders their love of their land and of the sea.

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WARM WELCOME

Gertrud Seidmann

Bertolt Brecht. By Michael Morley. Heinemann Educational £3.00 and £1.40.

Brecht: Der kaukasische Kreidekreis. By J. M. Ritchie. Edward Arnold £1.25.

Günsebraten und andere Geschichten. By Jo Hanns Rösler. Grade A Easy Reader.

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Das Brandopfer. By Albrecht Goes. Grade C Easy Reader.

John Murray 70p.

Like the first two works discussed here, the four little plays of Brecht's are a quite remarkable feat: in mere 135 pages manage to give an account which is lively yet entirely serious and, despite its brevity, free from superficiality. He examines the working life and oeuvre of an extremely important writer who has already been the subject of an ever lengthening stream of lit (and pol) crit.

Fortunately Mr Morley shows himself to be far from overawed by these works or Brecht's own, frequently contradictory statements about his writings: he rightly warns against taking the *ipsa verba* of one always happy to shock the bourgeois too literally, especially when it comes to theoretical pronouncements. These works or Brecht's own, frequently contradictory statements about his writings: he rightly warns against taking the *ipsa verba* of one always happy to shock the bourgeois too literally, especially when it comes to theoretical pronouncements.

There, precisely, lies the rub. These adaptations are excellent written and quite smoothly and invisibly mended; but while it is fine for Jo Hanns Rösler's jargon short stories, one's eyebrows rise at the inclusion of Bill May's *Brandopfer*—the latter, dismissed as a pot-boiler, the other, in the view of one who has actually experienced it on stage, wildly overestimated as an opera—the total picture is judicious and impressive.

It is particularly welcome to see a lengthy discussion of the poetry and the poetic springs of dramatic works, as it is to find the reasons for the complex reactions of audience or reader to *Mutter Courage* finely analysed. The introductory "literary biography" of

Brecht is usefully supplemented by further biographical details in the form of the extensive "chronological table"; the bibliography is indeed select and as such presumably dictated by the format of the series.

Professor Ritchie's study of *Der kaukasische Kreidekreis* in the useful Edward Arnold series recently revised is an attractive paperback. Addressed more specifically to the Germanist (Mr Morley, who quotes widely, provides his own translations in the footnotes; quotations here are given in German only), the author takes us through in play, beginning with its Chinese background, and discussing critical issues as the plot develops. A fine chapter assesses the relationship of form and content; this, some bibliography referring exclusively to the play being discussed, naturally allows reference to such related studies as Mr Mathies's *Die Dichtung der vorletzten Zeile in Brechts Kreidekreis*.

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MIXED ABILITY

Michael J. Smith

Start Writing French: Book 2. By George Varnava. Blackie £1.25. 0 216 90505 2. For la Bande. By P. M. M. Hargreave £1.55. 0 245 53371 0.

George Varnava has become well known, first for his advocacy of mixed ability teaching in modern languages and then for his production of materials which are deemed to be suitable for this particular approach, willingly embraced by some teachers and reluctantly accepted by others, perhaps a majority. To his two volumes of *Multiple Choice French* Mr Varnava has added a companion series *Start Writing French*.

The thematic approach and linguistic content in both series are mutually compatible; whereas the earlier books practice reading comprehension in particular, this series encourages the pupil to use the vocabulary and structures which he has acquired. The passive becomes active. The tasks are graded in difficulty to allow pupils in homogeneous groups to tackle them systematically or for the teacher to choose classes at an appropriate level for individuals in his mixed ability class. Every tenth unit of a total of 30 is a revision exercise.

Each unit consists of four clearly designated sections. The first purports to introduce the vocabulary and structures, usually through a picture or pictures and accompanying text, or through a menu or a selection of exercises. Some consist, however, of only a picture, which alone presents nothing of linguistic value. All verbs are in the present tense, apart from the almost essential *je voudrais/voudrais* and, surprisingly at this stage, the use of *an* with the present participle. The second section is a written exercise deriving from the presentation: questions, free com-

position, jumbled phrases by passage with blanks to be filled. This follows a written grammar exercise on the principal language point of the unit, with the inclusion of material from previous units. The final section is open-ended: a preponderance of project questions.

The author suggests that in a early stages pupils' written work should be illustrated and coloured and he contends that such activity helps in consolidation. Also value is the suggestion that real should be collected and displayed with the written French to support authenticity.

At the end of the book there is a well arranged French-English vocabulary, an interesting and useful feature of which is the place of verb infinitives in Italian, presumably to attract the attention of the pupil who might otherwise up when he cannot find the specific part of the verb which he has across in the text.

Strip cartoons are the on which J. P. Menting's drawings here are not from but do matter, because in their own right which are syndicated internationally. The book was published in Holland in 1978, apart from a new introduction in English and a French-English vocabulary, it is a French-English dictionary in French, which may please the purists but limits its use to more able pupils.

Its rather loose structure, is unhelpful to all but the highly motivated student. Under each cartoon given, isolated vocabulary, answered or false statements to be corrected, and suggestions for a variety of extension activities. The French language is in places rather "Elle regarde que son mari fait" and there are some spelling errors, such as *un* instead of *une*. The teaching aid for OSE or O level essay-writing is based on a neat idea, but is unrealistic in the vast inferior to such books as *Racontes-Moi* of Persimmon Press.

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Bernstein on the block

Argument continues to rage over the 'proper' connexions between language and the social structure of power

A. H. Halsey looks at the case for the prosecution

Education, Class Language and Ideology. By Noëlle Bissière. Routledge and Kegan Paul £5.25. 7100 0114 5

Basil Bernstein is here brought to book for grave offences against Marxist orthodoxy. Noëlle Bissière is his lively, galling prosecutor: the charges include epistemological error, misconceiving the link between power and language, and (crime most heinous) membership of the bourgeoisie (ie dominant) class. Certain French accessories after the fact, notably Bourdieu and Passeron, are also arraigned and even more severely dealt with for their contradictions in discourse, falsely explicative statements, and violence done to facts. The prosecution, I hasten to add, is brilliantly constructed and, whatever the verdict, makes instructive reading for those who would understand the causes of differences in educational attainment, the role therein of language and the Marxist explanation of all things.

Nevertheless, my sympathies lie with the silent defendants. To be sure, we all begin from the same premise—a determination to find a social base for any human phenomenon; indeed, challenged to reduce modern sociology to a sentence I would say that it consists of the militant insistence that human behaviour is socially constructed. Sociologists thus translate ancient debate over the question of what is human nature into analysis of how consciousness and action are

moulded by social experience. Miss Bissière's forensic skill is directed initially to essentialist ideology and those who stand in the tradition from Gobineau to Eysenck appear first in the dock to be assailed for their scientific misdeeds.

She carries the sociological attack into differential psychology, intending to destroy the concept of aptitude by tracing its history as a social misconstruction of reality. Seeking an alternative theory to account for differences in educational achievement, she calls Bernstein first to praise his pioneering work in establishing the importance of linguistic factors in scholarly attainment, but then charges him with failure to establish the proper connections between language and the social structure of power. For her, class languages are explicable only as an aspect of class antagonisms, and language practices are a fundamental part of class identity. Class for her denotes relations of dominance (so that there can be sex classes, ethnic classes, etc. as well as those with the same "relations to the means of production"), whereas Bernstein relieves "the language" and has no theory of class.

As Miss Bissière reads him, "the dominant class does not seem to derive its class position from the existence of the others: it represents a superior degree attained in the course of the evolution of the human species, and each human group is called upon to achieve the same level." But the idea that proletarians should be thought of as deficient in elaborated codes, or for that matter should be educated to acquire them, is a pragmatic reformism to be con-

templated only by agents or captives of the bourgeois class.

By this time many readers will have followed me on to the other side. I had, in any case, been alarmed by her dogmatic opening assertion that "when one tries to pinpoint the historical conditions in which this system, explanatory of social inequalities, appeared and survived, one sees that it goes along with the formation of class society structures in which the economic dimension is given primacy." But what about educational selection in ancient China? And can we not trace essentialism to ancient Greece and Aristotle? What about the relations between the Tutsi and the Hutu in Rwanda? Can we really subsume all human experience under the modern history of Western Europe and the Marxist interpretation of it?

Then my doubts grew as Miss Bissière's argument came to assume a polarization of society into two classes and a mechanically deterministic explanation of not only language practices but even psychic identity. It is Miss Bissière's, not Bernstein's, class theory which is impoverished. Stratification is more than class: status and party are also about power and dominance. Moreover, Miss Bissière's simplifications (including her inattention to the vast amount of individual mobility) lead her to confuse prediction about groups with assertions about individuals as when she tells us that "the minority of individuals who, because of their class and sex category, belong to the group which has economic, political and ideological power at its command,

never doubt their capacities. It seems that male students from the dominant class have never questioned their aptitude for higher education".

In this way a good case is overstated. Reality is less easily described and explained. In the case of class, language, and educational performance, all the evidence points away from simple mechanical determination towards complex probability statements. And probability statements are as interesting for their deviant cases as for their predictive directions. Life, including the life of the tongue and the examination room, is understood better by gamblers than by mechanistic theoreticians. The dice are loaded—by class, by sex, by date of birth and even, perhaps, *pace* Miss Bissière, by genes. Among these, the force of class is a major one: it affects deeply the structure of opportunity. The force of stratification is still wider and deeper. But neither make it possible to deduce automatically the fate of particular individuals. Class and status mobility is massive in modern society.

Finally, I would exonerate Bernstein for his alleged refutation of language. Miss Bissière's sketch of the linguistic rise of the bourgeoisie in nineteenth-century France is intriguing. But, at least until there has been much more linguistic analysis, for example, of the similarities and differences between French and English class dialects, we are just as entitled to hypothesize independence of language from class as to assume its dependence on the interests of the dominant class.



The Street Drain, 1890: one of the many outstanding illustrations in the new paperback edition of Colin Ward's *The Child in the City* (Penguin £2.95), a book which, said our reviewer last year, "brilliantly highlights a culture which extends from Battersea to Bangladesh".

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Edna Mathieson

Theory and Practice of Curriculum Studies. By Denis Lawton, Peter Gordon, Maggie Ing, Bill Gibby, Richard Fring, and Terry Moore. Routledge Education £6.50, 7100 0028 6, £3.95, 7100 0029 4.

Thinking about the Curriculum: The nature and treatment of curriculum problems. By William Reid. Routledge and Kegan Paul £5.95, 7100 8979 1, £2.95, 7100 8980 5.

The contributors to *Theory and Practice of Curriculum Studies*, who were all, at the time of writing, members of the Curriculum Studies Department of the London Institute of Education, discuss the curriculum in the light of their respective disciplines—sociology, psychology, philosophy. These discussions, which cover the first half of the book, are followed by a section on evaluation.

The fact that evaluators never used, until recently, a combination of methods drawn from all the social sciences—psychology, sociology, history, social anthropology—continues to remain a source of amazement. The newest, and to my mind, one of the more interesting, areas of curriculum study—the politics of the curriculum—is the last to be discussed. Each chapter is usefully followed by an excellently annotated book-list.

There have been very few books that have discussed the curriculum specifically in terms of sociology, psychology and philosophy. In that respect, the book is somewhat unique, and long overdue; but the approach may also give rise to certain weaknesses—insufficient critical discussion, insufficient exposition of theories.

Denis Lawton, for example, says that, for Durkheim, "... the major

function of education was to inculcate some kind of moral system without which no society could survive. ... This sounds, perhaps, fairly acceptable; but according to my translation, Durkheim thought that education should be in harmony with the ideas and needs of society, and, in order to do this, society had to be examined to discover its needs. One is immediately aware of at least two difficulties: we must ask what is society, and we must ask the underlying assumption that society is evolving in a desirable way. If this were not so, then, arguably, education should not be in harmony with a society's needs.

One of the most important points to make in a discussion of Plaget is surely that the phenomena we see in Piagetian experiments are very much determined not only the age at which concepts are formed, but whether they are formed at all. I did not see this mentioned.

Perhaps if these limitations had been made explicit at the outset such criticism would have been pre-empted. Along the same lines, it may have been worth mentioning (often I) that some of the theorists wrote in a foreign language, and not very lucidly. Consequently, their work can be open to the same kind of misunderstanding that arose over Bernstein's early work, and to which Denis Lawton refers. As most of the theorists are dead, they can hardly put right any misinterpretation, mistranslation or mis-emphasis, as Bernstein subsequently did.

The book is based upon a series of lectures for the Institute's Theory and Practice of Education Course. Therefore, the chapters in Part 1 deal only in a preliminary fashion with philosophical, psychological, sociological issues, which are elaborated upon in the following two parts. In effect, this means that one either

experiences some disjointedness if one reads the book through, or one has to "jump" chapters to read an argument through—either of which, after a while, becomes a little irksome. Denis Lawton writes in the opening chapter "... one purpose of this book is to help practising teachers to clarify their own theory and practice ...".

If some of these weaknesses are the price one has to pay in order to bring together three disciplines into one book, then one must ask if it is worth it? William Reid's *Thinking about the Curriculum* has achieved its purpose—at least, as far as one community is concerned. Quite coincidentally I recently became involved in the setting up of a group in my own community which has just started debate curriculum issues. McDonald and Walker's concept of democratic evaluation, "the key justificatory concept (of which) is the 'right to know'", helped to focus our ideas. Reid, in developing the concept further, as he does in this book, will also help us.

Reid takes the view that the community, not just professionals, should concern themselves with the curriculum. Indeed, one wonders just how helpful the professionals are, as Reid draws on the conclusion of the Urban Education Task Force Report to suggest that those involved in educational research have tended to avoid dealing with major learning problems, while others, for example, those concerned with the Schools Council's Working Paper 53, offered no data in support of problems which were not defined.

Taking this central thesis of community involvement, he discusses curriculum theory and research, curriculum change and the future of curriculum studies. One can only hope that members of other communities will also read his book.

Fencing for the fit?

David Self on adult education

Learning Networks in Adult Education. By Paul Fordham, Geoff Poulton and Lawrence Rant. Routledge and Kegan Paul £6.95, 7100 0112 6, £3.95, 7100 8968 6.

Learning Later. By Enid and Edward Hutchinson. Routledge and Kegan Paul £6.95, 7100 8952 X.

A Guide to Learning after School. By Michael Locke and John Pratt. Penguin £1.25, 14 02 2122 0.

Second Chances for Adults. By Andrew Pates and Martin Good. Macmillan £2.95, 333 2652 2.

The Poor Cousin. By Michael Newman. Allen and Unwin £5.50, 04 37400 2, £2.95, 04 37400 0.

For some, adult education means meditation for the middle class, continental cookery for the cultured and fencing for the fit; for others it's a desperate grabbing of O levels in the hope that such paper qualifications will unlock the door to a new career.

A succinct and helpful guide to this confusing world has just appeared in Polican: *A Guide to Learning after School*. In clear and unadorned prose, it describes the whole sector of further education—evening institutes, polytechnics and colleges of all sorts, further education centres, and outlines the various courses available, both non-vocational and professional. There are separate sections on Scotland and Northern Ireland, on industrial training, the independent sector, and on money. My only fear is that a future edition might be very much thinner.

While this book claims to point you in the right direction "whether you want to learn basic cookery or do a PhD in astrophysics",

in his aptly named *The Poor Cousin*, Michael Newman concentrates on leisure learning. "French for housewives, old-time dancing, fully old-fashioned, but Mr Newman amply demonstrates that if these subjects are traditional, teaching methods can be varied and adventurous. He argues that necessarily has to be the mother of invention and that this under-funded branch of education has pioneered trails that might well be followed by less responsive educators in other sectors.

This witty and well written book has much in common with a good television documentary; it is subjective, illuminating, and full of anecdotes. And it is not only about the less urgent areas of learning. Mr Newman describes the setting up of courses on citizens' rights, English for immigrants, sessions for the unemployed, and concludes with an hilarious account of an epic battle with County Hall to establish a course in Gay Studies; "No sex please, we're ILGA."

I suspect that the authors of *Learning Later* might find Newman a bit flippant. Their book is also a personal and partial survey of adult education but, in this case, especially of the "Fresh Horizons" courses at London's City Lit Centre for Adult Studies which were started by Enid Hutchinson in 1966.

We are told the content and timetables of these courses, the age groupings of the students, the stated reasons for joining, and the varying responses to the courses. This detail may suggest a personal and partial survey, but the book is of only parochial interest. It must be admitted that there are times when the authors seem to have very little awareness of what they are writing for. Their omniscient dedication that "each other" dedicate their book to "every detail, salient or not, about their

students and why they did or didn't drop out of a particular course."

However, this wealth of detail leads to a demonstration of the importance of the counselling element in this branch of education. Here, some might find the authors' attitude awkwardly paternalistic or even condescending, but I think it is infinitely preferable to the humbug approach of the authors of *Learning Networks in Adult Education*.

This book describes a three-year "action research" programme designed "to increase the effective penetration of both responsible body and local authority adult education services in areas of urban overspill". As it is all about human ecology, people seeking learning experiences and "complex and fluid situations", it is not surprising to read that "acceptance is local eyes of legitimacy for our kind of action research was not achieved at once."

Obviously the various forms of adult education should be available to as wide a cross section of the community as possible, but I suspect that a new paperback *Second Chances for Adults* will be of more practical help than this mixture of theory and anecdote.

Second Chances for Adults is what its subtitle says: "Your guide to all kinds of education and training opportunities 1979-1980". It is a topical catalogue of all the providers of "second chance" courses in residential colleges or local radio via "post" courses, and the private sector. Besides being a veritable mine of addresses and phone numbers, it also includes sections on the needs of particular groups of users and on grants and sponsorship. Although it may be a little daunting to those with the greatest needs, it looks set to become a definitive annual guide to the desperate (if surprising) sector of education.

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Modular Mathematics Organization Certificate Mathematics Units M1 to M12. Heinemann Educational £2.95, 435 00933 0.

The familiar quotation "of making many books there is no end" is particularly appropriate to Certificate of Secondary Education studies.

There is little advantage to anyone in maintaining that this present batch of mathematics texts is vastly superior to the scores that are already on the market. They are, however, above average and there is a trace or two of novelty, of fresh thinking based on experience, that makes them worth attention.

The contents are generally stereotyped enough: there is everything to be expected in a CSE course. The majority of schools would, in fact, be likely to make a selection of the topics for the bulk of their pupils. Probably this over-abundance of material can be attributed to the authors' quite natural wish to have their books used as widely as possible. They have therefore had the needs of GCE O level candidates in mind as well.

Mr Greer, however, is more specific. He concentrates on CSE preparation, even though the end-result means that his scope is

not all that different from other books of this genre.

Volume one is a core course, a revision course where "nothing has been assumed and the book starts from the very beginning with elementary arithmetic". There is an abundance of graded exercises, with every pupil expected to do the easiest, but only a few expected to solve the hardest. A useful collection of past examination questions, answers to all the problems, a glossary and an index complete this stage of the work.

Volume 2 contains "Special topics", 33 in all, ranging from logarithms to probability, graphs to surveying, navigation and topology. This is a big book (over 350 pages) with the work well covered, and once again there are many exercises for pupils to work.

The exercises are also a feature of the first three volumes of the O and B Maths Bank; (there is a fourth volume to come). As the authors explain, "these books are rather different from the usual mathematics text in that they contain almost no teaching material. They do, however, contain a wealth of questions". The suggestion is that the "bank" can supplement any existing course in modern mathematics but it can also be used as a course book in its own right, leaving the teacher free to instruct in his own way.

The point is taken that classroom explanation is expected to precede the use of the various chapters—which between them should adequately deal with the normal CSE and most O-level work. Even so, occasional gaps produce surprises.

As a typical instance, a chapter on logarithms is headed by the instruction "where rounding off is necessary, round five upwards". But this is a sort of shorthand reminder of a previously learned practice. But reference to the procedure, early in book one, merely states "in this

exercise 5s are to be 'rounded upwards' where necessary".

Points like this, needing a fairly lengthy exposition by the teacher, will puzzle readers if that explanation has not been given. But of course, this merely emphasises the obvious, that it is the quality of the teaching in the classroom that determines the ultimate benefit to be derived from any textbook, however good.

The same sort of caveat applies to the "revision and practice" volume from the Oxford University Press. It is divided into sections with standard headings such as quadratic equations, 3-D trigonometry, reflections, or problems using Venn diagrams, the total contents again covering more than is likely to be required in any one modern syllabus O level or CSE examination with modern options.

Incidentally, one welcomes the authors' forthright comment that "any such division is arbitrary and is not intended to raise questions about the subject or to contravene the philosophy of approach to mathematics that is implied in modern courses for schools".

The final book has been prepared by the "modular mathematics organization" which has already issued modules 1 to 36 as an introductory course. The units M1 to M12 are suggested as "particular suitable for the Scottish S3 year". Units M13 to M20 will be available later, completing a plan to deal with the whole of the Scottish O grade (or, naturally, CSE, GCE O level or similar examinations).

The units occupy about 32 pages each, and all are available individually as sets of "worksheet masters". The topics include similarity, vectors, straight-line equations and graphs, transformations, the geometry of circles and trigonometric functions.

As with the other books, the work is satisfactorily selected and executed. Any could be used with success provided—and we come to the nub of the matter once more—the ability of the teacher is adequate.

The difference between a rut and a grave

Michael J. Smith on teaching French

Teaching French. By R. J. Hares. Hodder and Stoughton £2.50, 340 23196 3.

To read through the 108 pages of this book, even at two sittings rather than one, is to produce one of two reactions to the teacher of French. Either he will arrange immediately to give up all activities which are extraneous to his French teaching so that he can devote himself entirely to the preparation of the multitude of activities which he now feels his pupils must be undertaking. Alternatively, he will dismiss the book as being idealistic, unrealistic and therefore totally irrelevant.

Both the novice and the experienced teacher could with profit turn to *Teaching French* for reference when seeking new ideas. The author states that the only difference between a rut and a grave is its depth is relevant here.

In spite of the author's wide coverage of interesting matters this is not a complete manual for the French teacher. If by personal conviction or by the various strictures of his school his teaching approach is more traditional, he will find less help than will the proponent of mixed ability teaching and, therefore, of group-work and work-cards. These three topics occupy about two-thirds of the book, which probably indicates where Mr Hares's

sympathies lie, but is no objective proof that other methods or emphases are invalid. For the more traditional teacher, however, (although in some instances more superficial) sections on general classroom and lesson procedure and on classroom display and decoration will have more to offer.

Both the author, a college lecturer, and the publishers have wisely recognised that many classroom practitioners will be suspicious of what may seem to be ex cathedra pontifications of someone who is no longer at the chalk-face. As well as giving the impression that group work within a mixed ability class is the only acceptable norm for the self-respecting language teacher Mr Hares's book also presupposes that we all live in an ideal world. Many a teacher will be tempted to laugh cynically when he reads of the time he must spend in preparing material when he finds that his classroom display material requires help with the basic tables and cupboard tops (he has first to find room for 36 pupils with a desk and chair for each, remember?) and that his taped material can be prepared by the assistant who requires help with the basic climatic? You must be joking!

There is much, however, that can be learned from Mr Hares, who writes with lucidity, conviction and humour. Many ideas, easily traced through the clear and comprehensive list of contents, can be gleaned and perhaps adapted to widen the scope of many French lessons.

Numbers up

David Sturgess

Teaching Numeracy: A manual for teachers. Terry and Christine Hill. National Extension College, 131, Hills Road, Cambridge 75p.

During the Adult Literacy campaign some students were also asking for help with numeracy. The requests for help varied from those who had very little number sense to those who wished to extend the knowledge to something like CSE or O level standard in order to compete for promotion. Even in our technological society it is possible to get by with less knowledge of number than of reading, and writing so that it is possible that the demand for numeracy at the lower level would be less than that for literacy. It will, however, require a campaign similar to the Adult Literacy campaign to find this out.

Teaching Numeracy is full of helpful advice to anyone who wants to take on the task of teaching number to an adult, particularly someone who has had little if any previous experience of teaching. It deals mostly with a student who requires help with the basic four rules of number but has some suggestions for those with very little number sense. It does not deal with those who require to extend their knowledge but they would probably find what they needed at an FE college. Throughout the book emphasis is placed on relating the teaching to the experience of the student and the final chapter consists of three case studies showing how this can be achieved.

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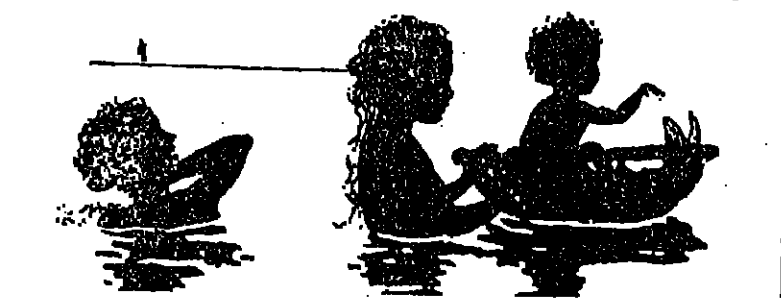
The Faber Book of North American Legends. By Virginia Haviland. Faber £4.95. 571 11038 X.

Campfire Tales of the American Indians. By Dee Brown. Chatto and Windus £4.50. 7011 2354 0.

At first sight, *World Tales* seems an interesting and exciting proposition: a sort of coffee-table version of Stith Thompson's *One Hundred Favourite Folktales*, lavishly illustrated, compiled by the distinguished Sufi writer Idries Shah. Unfortunately, *World Tales* has most of the vices of the coffee-table book and few of the virtues of Thompson's.

lised, and others are changed in damaging ways. In "Childa Rowland", taken from Jacobs, "the land of the Fairy", and "Strike then, Bogle", becomes "Strike then Bogle (Gollin)", less forgivably, the beauty of "Tom Tit Tot" is destroyed by the abandonment of the Suffolk dialect. Similarly, in "The Mastermaid" the expressive "you've not sucked this knowledge out of your own breast" becomes "you've not got this knowledge out of your own mind", and the speeches of the first and second drops of blood are silently, and ruinously, omitted.

Although there are some good stories here, Shah is over-enthusiastic in the possible didactic uses of tales, their "inner meaning" and too little concerned with questions of language, and the problems of pre-



"The Lost Merbaby," written and illustrated by two sisters born in the 1880s, Margaret and Mary Baker, first appeared in 1927. It is combined with another fairy story of theirs, "The Wishing Nut Tree," in a new edition published by Kestrel (£2.50). The stories are charming and the illustrations quite delightful.

It is, for a start, almost impossible to read. Size, weight and, particularly, typeface combine to make it a book to own rather than to use. Second, it is in many ways a sloppy piece of work, littered with ridiculous misprints. The short introduction manages to misspell Straparola, speak of the work of Chaucer and Shakespeare as "collections" comparable to the *Thousand and One Nights* or the *Panchatantra*, and commit the cardinal sin of calling Hans Christian Andersen a collector rather than a creative writer; the notes prefacing each story are only intermittently reliable or informative. Third, although some of the 37 illustrators, notably Peter Good-fellow and Fred Carver, have tackled the project with imagination, most of the illustrations are undistinguished when not positively repellent.

Some of the stories, for instance "The Royal Detectives", are bowd-

soning oral material in literary form. The effect of this editorial policy is to give the impression of a bland homogeneity rather than a stimulating variety in the human imagination. In showing that men of all countries and all times have enjoyed essentially the same stories, the editor has often lost sight of the very elements which make a telling striking or memorable.

It is unclear why these particular versions have been selected. Shah's *Algonquin Cinderella*, for instance, taken from the version collected by the Rev Silas Rand and printed in C. G. Leland's *The Algonquin Legends of New England*, is infinitely inferior to the version, also collected from the *Mimams*, given in Cyrus Macmillan's *Canadian Wonder Tales*. This vivid and poetic version is the one chosen by Virginia Haviland (who uses Leland's book elsewhere) in her excellent *Faber Book of North American Legends*. Both this and the *Brown's Campfire Tales of the American Indians* are models of their kind; in both, unlike *World Tales*, sources are meticulously noted.

The *Faber Book of North American Legends* is particularly successful because it is not limited to Indian tales, but also includes a generous number of Negro stories, Americanized versions of major European tales and that American speciality, the Tall Tale. This makes room, among many delights, for a vigorous and humorous version of "Snow White" from Kentucky, "A Stepchild that was Treated Mighty Bad".

Unlike Virginia Haviland, Dee Brown has retold all the stories in his collection. He has gone back to the field collections of anthropologists for his stories, and retold their academic translations simply, with sensitivity and a due regard for the nature of the material and the cultures it represents.

Together the two books provide an admirable introduction to the American folk tale. Haviland's is the better balanced collection, and includes, I think, the better stories: her children who have enjoyed Dee Brown's *Wounded Knee* may well find his book more tempting with its frequent reference to Indian tribes and named heroes and his selection of stories about the coming of the white man.

Building bricks to numeracy

P. C. Davey on primary maths

Mathematics for Schools (Second Edition). Teacher's Resource Book. Level 1. 500p. £5.00.

Books 1-7. £4.70 a pack of ten. Parent's Booklet. £1.25.

Addison Wesley.

The modifications to this series apparently reflect contemporary thought in their increased attention to consolidating work in the four basic operations and their applications, and in providing systematic check-ups to improve individual assessment. The Resource Book of 309 packed pages records the unchanged basic principles, considers aims, and unfolds the course structure. Part 2 offers the most comprehensive exposition of the Pupils Book Course, after concentrating on essential introductory work. It comments on immediate objectives at every point, illuminates the mathematical content and concepts involved, and provides follow-up activities. Part 3, with a useful glossary, completes a volume of breadth and quality, abundantly helpful, aimed at high- to some, demanding-standards, yet essentially realistic in classroom possibilities. The next two colour workbooks are not basically changed. Level 1 Books build the bricks essential to the complete course.

The 32-page Parents' Booklet is similarly well-produced. It summarizes the aims and the progression of the whole series, outlines how it is used, offers examples and comments sagely on "How can I help my child?"

Numbers and Words. By Aileen Duncan. Teacher's Guidebooks 1 and 2. £2.50 each.

Workbooks 1-8. 40p each.

Word Lock Education.

Some 200 teachers of infant and remedial classes contributed to this interesting new series, which has much to commend it. The Guide Books pin-point the importance to the 5 to 7 years of integrating their growing mathematical vocabulary with skills and concepts developing from experience. The recommended approach is through the use of concrete materials, always enriched by oral discussion. New Key-Words are illustrated simply page by page. Ability grouping is valued, and diagnostic tests are included. The course work (in number, measures, shapes, pictorial representation) is carefully cross-referenced, but the stimulating teaching guidance offered is not over-controlled. The Guide Books are printed and presented with admirable clarity.

The Workbooks, in monochrome, are boldly printed, but an occasional page seems overcrowded. For maximum working value the detailed Guide Books' topic advice is essential reading. Sets receive a simple yet adequate treatment for the scheme unfolded in which topics are systematically explored in a spiralling sequence.

Key Maths. Level 2. By A. G. Griffiths. Books 1-4. 80p each.

Olivier and Boyd.

These are the first of a series of eight pupils' books for the seven 13 age range. Aims and course structure are not discussed, but the contents reveal mathematical ideas commonly found today. The methods gain significance from the use of a second print colour.

The teacher's role is unique, but it is possible to discern materials to introduce and working processes to emphasize. A spiral sequence is effectively applied, as with numerical processes, money and measures, with geometrical ideas, patterns, graphical work open up interestingly. Some checking-up materials appear, but a Teacher's Book is missed.

Overall, it is professionally assuring to find expressed generally the view, firmly presented in *Mathematics for Schools*, that the must be adequate introduction to work, practice and application in children as it become numeracy.

A bridge from Oxford to Roscoff

Hugh Whittaker

Entente Cordiale. By Jean Ann Naylor and Ewen Bird. Hodder & Stoughton. Pupils' Book. 95p. Teacher's Booklet. 95p.

Au Courant. By S. Moore, G. P. Pugh, A. L. Antrobus. Longman £2.95.

Entente Cordiale is mainly for those pupils whose relationship with the French language, through inclination or ability, is less than cordial. Some would rather have these pupils drop French; others soft-shell it under the brand name of European Studies; others Corcorde and Camembert. Oxfordshire is one of a number of L.E.s to tackle the problem more positively, and this course book is based on material used in their new Achievement Certificate course.

The subject matter is a series of events experienced by an Oxfordshire family, the Cowleys (can you guess Dad's job?) on their camping holiday near Roscoff; their statements are a family from Morlaix. The story, in 10 self-contained, non-graded episodes, is on tape or cassette (£14 plus VAT), and the pupils' book expands on it, with follow-up project material and ideas.

The joint authors are on the defensive about the English-French mixture used by the English family, which reads like the funny voice stuff beloved of the fourth form. But the pupils' book is interesting, and—under £1—good value, with above-average illustrations. Some one should have spotted *Entente Cordiale* which comes twice on one page.

Entente Cordiale is also the hooding of the introduction to Au Courant by the again who gave you Longman's Audio-Visual French Course. But this is an advanced course, containing of 10 topic-based lessons, divided into three levels. Level 2 is to follow, and together they comprise a self-contained course to A level; there is supple-

mentary topic material and accompanying tapes.

The practice material looks interesting, authentic and content-rich—the established Longman O level format and style are in evidence, but the maturity gap has been bridged. For the conventional school and college A level class I recommend the course at least this first half, without hesitation. But it will need very skilful selection and presentation if it is to be used without tears by O level resists and the "new sixth", as the authors propose.

In line with current ideology, direct translation into and from French plays a minor role, the prose passages being subtly infiltrated at intervals; there is, however, scope for unseen translation of the journal. The authors have compiled large quantities of material for comprehension and manipulation, and practice is provided on tape. A short, terse compendium of grammar, including verb tables and a selective vocabulary list with supplementary questions conclude the book.

Playthinks

David Sturges

Entering the World of Number. T. Green and V. J. Laxon. Thames and Hudson £4.95. 91196 6.

This carefully structured book, designed to help parents as teachers introduce to the preschool child basic concepts on which number skills can be built, is an excellent example of the kind of "loose" and "playthinks" which enable a child to move forward conceptually, although it is emphasized that these are loops that the child must be made to jump through. Playthinks are situations with toys or household objects where, whilst the child is playing, he has to think about what he is doing.

In the final chapter the author says "If you have followed the sequence of loops and links I thought set out in this book you will have discovered that teaching is an exceptionally demanding task, and that many parents may find the demands too high as this book definitely not a quick recipe for producing mathematical geniuses five years of age and has to be used very seriously."

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Which microcomputer?

In the first of two articles on microcomputers in schools, A. K. Hennessy and P. Kingsland discuss what teachers ought to look for

The microprocessor revolution is happening so quickly that computing power, which until last year was under the control of sophisticated data processing departments with dozens of highly-trained technical staff, is now available to teacher and school at reasonable cost.

For the teacher of computer studies, this is an important year. Many teachers and heads are taking a completely new look at their provision for computer studies in the light of the newly available microcomputer facilities. At the same time, the "revolution" is so new that much of the terminology and many of the technical considerations are unfamiliar. There are three questions that most teachers ask us:

● What does the terminology mean?
● What facilities are suitable for schools?
● What is available?

All computers have a processor, sometimes called a central processing unit or CPU. It is the "thinking" part of the computer. The microcomputers are constructed from microprocessors, in which the complex functions of control and information handling are put onto silicon "chips".

A glance inside the microcomputer processor unit reveals neatly arranged rows of black centipede-like objects; these are the integrated circuit or ICs, or "chips", which are the brains of the computer. There may also be several large integrated circuits, one of which will be the microprocessor.

Most microprocessors come from the United States; ones in common use at the moment are: 8080A, 286 (a faster and more versatile version of the 8080), 8085, 6502 and 6800.

The teacher can be misled into thinking that a faster microprocessor means that the microcomputer will function faster, but speed is determined by a combination of factors, of which the microprocessor components are only one. Any of the above microprocessors will function adequately for schools requirements.

Computers also have to have memory, in which instructions and information are stored during processing. There are two types: random access memory or RAM, which allows memory to be read only memory or ROM. This is used to store the instructions and information that are to be changed, such as programs and data, during processing. Read only memory is used to hold instructions and information which remain the same, such as the instructions that convert programs into machine code and the information needed to set up the computer for running.

Many microcomputers display the program or data text on the screen, and characters or lines can be deleted, inserted or moved around by control keys on the keyboard. This facility is often augmented by a text editor, which deletes, inserts or moves blocks of text.

Most VDU's come supplied with a built-in keyboard; a visual display screen without a keyboard is often called a monitor.

Backing store For a computer to be able to handle various programs and reasonable amounts of data, and to avoid losing them when a new program or new set of data is put in, backing store is needed. Ordinary magnetic tape cassette records can be connected to most microcomputers but this method of backing store is usually quite slow with high error rates (although there are one or two quite reliable tape systems such as the built-in cassette in the Commodore PET).

Much faster and more reliable is the magnetic disc—usually the floppy disc—which is made of plastic which can store anything

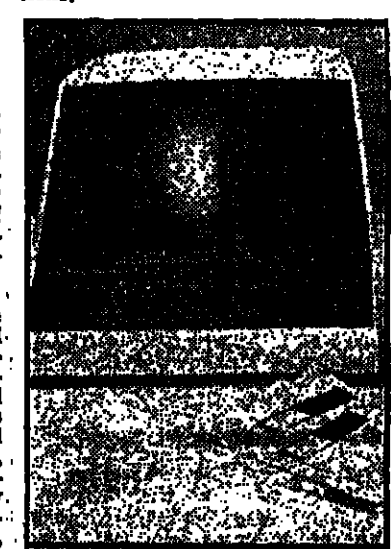
from 70,000 to 500,000 characters (sometimes called half a megabyte). The keyboard console The user usually communicates with the processor by keying in commands and information on a console or keyboard. Keyboards vary from those that have numeric and a few letters (unsuitable for schools use) to those with 265 possible characters and symbols.

The first requirement is that the keyboard should have all the characters needed for programming in BASIC. The next is the speed at which the keyboard can be used if students are to use it for keying in programs or data; some keyboards take twice as long as others.

The main factors are the keyboard layout (if possible, all the BASIC characters should be keyed without using the shift key) and the touch (the amount of pressure and the distance the fingers must go to activate a key).

Visual display units The results of processing and the messages from the microcomputer have to be converted into legible form. One method is to display information on a television screen, which is sometimes called a visual display unit or VDU. Some are cheap and simple, others are highly sophisticated pieces of equipment that are microcomputers in their own right.

For classroom use, a screen of at least 21in is needed to display a line of 40 characters so that every one in the class can see it; few of the VDUs supplied with microcomputers have screens of this size, so it is usually necessary to use the school television set for demonstrations.



Some microcomputers come with an outlet for a television videorecorder connection, while others have an outlet for a television set. Even on a 25in. set, words on a 40-character line cannot be seen clearly so some VDUs have characters a line so that graphs and figures can be displayed at 80 and words can be seen clearly at 40 characters.

Microcomputers are sometimes equipped to display symbols which can be used to make up pictures on the VDU screen; these symbols are called graphics and can be useful for producing graphs and figures. Correction of programs or data can be a headache, as those who have used paper tape can verify. Many microcomputers display the program or data text on the screen, and characters or lines can be deleted, inserted or moved around by control keys on the keyboard. This facility is often augmented by a text editor, which deletes, inserts or moves blocks of text.

The Printer A schools computer has to produce permanent copies of programs and their results. All exam boards require printed listings of a number of programs and their results for each candidate; some also want to show the stages of

development, each candidate's work went through.

There are two main types of printer: those that print a character at a time, ranging in price from £250 to £2,000, and others that print an entire line at once whose price starts at £1,800. Character printers, which are cheaper, vary in speed from 10 to 200 characters a second; a speed of less than 50 characters a second (cps) is inadequate for a school that plans to run programs for CSE or O level work.

Printers are often described in terms of their print mechanism: dot matrix, golfball, daisywheel (in order of increasing cost). A printer usually has to be ordered as an extra, and is likely to be incompatible with the microcomputer. This means that an extra charge is made for the electronic link between the printer and the microcomputer.

The Configuration and the Interface Some other devices that can be connected to microcomputers are: laboratory equipment, music generators, voice simulators, voice recognition units, and graph plotters.

The set of equipment connected together and controlled by the processor is called the configuration. It usually consists of the processor, the memory, display and backing storage. These are housed in various units, sometimes all together as in the case of the Commodore PET and the CompuCorp 600, or each unit housed separately. Usually the processor, the memory and disc storage are housed in one unit, and other units are to be connected to the main one.

The actual link is achieved by running a cable between the main unit and the other device; there is a connector that plugs into the main unit—again, there are many different kinds of connector. Common connectors are the RS232C, 20mA, and CCITT. Unless the main unit and the other device are completely compatible, an electronic "black box" which makes the necessary conversion of voltages, signals, timing and codes is necessary. Called an interface, this piece of equipment can cost anything from £25 to £500 or more depending as much on the firm supplying it as on what it has to do.

To enable the microprocessor to handle input from and output to memory and other devices, a collection of signal wires, called a bus, is often built into the microcomputer. While many manufacturers provide a bus of their own design (which is incompatible with other manufacturers' devices), two standard buses can be made available on some microcomputers: the IEEE-488 bus, which is used with laboratory equipment, and the S100 bus, which is rapidly becoming the industry standard for internal connections.

Any device purchased by a school should be ordered fully interfaced and ready to plug into its microcomputer.

Sometimes schools want to make contact with another computer system, such as that of the Open University. This is usually done by means of a computer terminal. Some microcomputers come equipped to link in to communications equipment in the same way as a terminal.

Of equal, if not greater, importance to the performance of a microcomputer than the equipment itself are the programs that control the way in which the equipment functions. The general name for programs is software. What is most confusing about microcomputers is that much of the software is held in integrated circuits within the equipment; this type of program is sometimes called "firmware" or said to be "in ROM".

The programs perform a number of functions: they manage the devices that are connected to the processor, they convert the pupils' program from English-like statements to machine code (such programs are called interpreters or compilers), they manage the run-

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Microcomputers
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ning of programs and the equipment. Other programs index and keep track of the contents of backing storage. The quality of these programs is so crucial to the microcomputer's functions that most manufacturers buy standard programs from specialist software firms.

A minimum requirement for schools computing is extended



BASIC, simpler BASICs will not allow the school to use many of the demonstration programs that are now available. If the microcomputer is to be used for mathematical work, BASIC should be capable of 9-digit precision.

Other languages which schools might want to use are PASCAL and PILOT (both good at manipulation of text), FORTRAN (very fast and good with mathematical work), perhaps COBOL (good with files and commercial data), or CORAL (for an algorithmic approach).

The programs that manage the

memory and the devices connected to the microcomputer constitute the operating system. It is one of the main determinants of the actual speed, accuracy and efficiency of the system. Some operating systems are on integrated circuits within the processor unit; others are stored on disc and copied into memory as needed.

It is often useful to be able to key in machine code programs or to correct minor program faults from the console; this can be done if the microcomputers come equipped with a monitor program. Such a feature is particularly needed for those schools teaching a level computing science.

It should be easy to obtain programs for the microcomputer, both from the manufacturers and others. Teaching O level or CSE computer studies will involve a fair amount of applications work, and therefore some commercial applications should be available at a reasonable price (say, less than £20); payroll,



available (although promised in days), purchase should not be considered. If the teacher cannot understand the instruction booklets, the documentation is inadequate and the system useless. The documentation should contain full instructions on how to program in BASIC, clear instructions with diagrams on how to start up the machine (the teacher should try to do this in the dealer's showroom on one of the demonstration machines), a description of the common faults and "puzzling" behaviour the equipment might exhibit along with instructions on what to do when they occur, and a clearly worded and illustrated explanation of how to operate the system.

It is easy to become overwhelmed by a thick wad of highly technical manuals; this type of documentation is unsuitable for schools' computers.

Next week the authors look at how to buy a microcomputer.

Natural shades

by John Barker

Coloration in Animals. By Tom Jenkinson. Thirty colour slides with notes. £15. V.A.T. included. Philip Harris Biological Ltd, Old Mixon, Weston-super-Mare, BS24 9BJ, Avon.

This set of slides, deals mainly with coloration in insects. 25 of the slides show examples from this group. The first two slides demonstrate the importance of counter-shading. Both slides show the same view of a pond. In the first, only goldfish can be seen; in the second a large mirror has been placed on the pool bottom, reflecting light upwards, to show clearly the counter-shaded normal-coloured fish.

The rest of the set shows other types of coloration. Nine slides demonstrate the range of eye-spot coloration seen in adult lepidoptera. The use of disruptive patterns and colorings is clearly brought out in the next section, also of nine slides. Research has shown that the "eye spots" found at the margins of the wings of some butterflies and moths have survival value. When the wing is quickly opened the eye spot display may distract a predator. On the other hand a bird may be attracted to the eye spot rather than the main body of the insect, so it may escape damaged but alive. Slides are included to show butterflies that have escaped such attacks. Examples of protective resemblances, warning coloration and mimicry complete the set.

The notes provide an adequate description of the slides, although in one or two cases the slides are reversed with respect to the printed description—a minor point and one easily corrected. It would be valuable to have a further set showing that protective coloration is widespread in the animal kingdom and not confined to one or two groups.

Card in the window

by Andrew Rothery

Plastic Frames, £2 each, £15 for a pack of 10. Programmes containing board, cards, storage cube, £1.50 each. Starter packs, £9.50. Essette Studium, PO Box 10, Wetherby, West Yorkshire.

Essette Studium have exported from Sweden a novel and attractive method of presenting infants and young juniors with questions and tasks. The system consists of a plastic frame with 20 windows and many programmes of work. A programme consists of a board which slots into the frame, displays 20 answers through the windows; and a box of question cards. The pupil looks at each card in turn and tries to place it in the window over the correct answer. The structure of this activity is very appealing to children.

An important feature of the Aktiv system is that pupils can check the correctness of their answers on their own. This is excellent for spotting simple errors such as miscounting, and encourages children to think carefully. Deeper questions are used to be discussed with the teacher. There are two methods for checking: official and unofficial. The unofficial method arises from there being only 20 possible answers to choose from. As the pupil's work progresses there are fewer choices available, so if he sees no correct answer for the question in hand he will suspect that an earlier answer must have been wrong. The official method is a colour-coding on the cards which, when the board is moved in, frame slightly; if the colours match the answers are correct.

The first group of 16 programmes is of particular interest to infant teachers. These make a good use of the unusual Aktiv format. It would not be easy to represent these activities in a form. The cards are entirely verbal, the pupil being required to match pictures on the cards with pictorial answers on the frame.

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Britain on the slide

by Gerry Abbot

Project GB. Nine units, each comprising film-strip or slides, tape or cassette, student's book, and teacher's guide. Cassette/slide packs, £9.00 each. Tape/slide packs, £9.50 each. (Film-strip cheaper in both cases). Mary Glasgow Publications Ltd, Brookhampton Lane, Kington, Warwick CV35 9JB.

This multi-media set consists of nine packages covering a range of cultural themes: Family Life, School Life, Work and Play, Travelling, Going Places, In London, Holidays and Festivals, Sport and Food. The material is designed for foreign students in their third or fourth year of English. They are likely to be in the early to mid-teens. The topics covered in the nine programmes appear to be intended for this age group.

In Family Life, for example, Mum tells Dan that his bedroom is in a terrible state and that she does not approve of his pals; she tells Lucy to turn the music down a bit; both children rebel against Mum's choice of old-fashioned clothes. Their spare-time activities include skateboarding, discos, the television, Scrabble, pets and Meccano. The material in the set is not limited to this age level, however, and would be suitable for older students interested in contemporary Britain and even for those who are already studying English here.

Each of the nine programmes comprises transparencies, taped material, student's book and teacher's guide. (Extra books for the students cost 45p each.) For an expenditure of £70 or so for a complete set (excluding multiple copies of the student's book), one may reasonably expect something a little out of the ordinary. As long as buyers do not expect the

material to be a course in itself, they may not be disappointed. A publicity leaflet says that the set "will supplement a main course by presenting the realities of present-day life in Britain in a most attractive and lively way". Attractive and lively it certainly is, and the realities are fairly represented: the roast beef of old England is counterbalanced by take-aways, convenience foods and the high incidence of obesity; a rich man buys a £64 hamper at Harrods, while a labourer talks about going on the dole in winter.

Side one of the tape accompanies the student's book. It contains most of the dialogues and other features such as songs, and the taped dialogues are often slightly extended versions of the printed ones. Some of the 14 units in each programme are not based on oral material and are therefore not represented on tape.

Side two of the tape accompanies the transparencies which usually fall into two sets. The first always has a taped accompaniment while the second often has no commentary and is intended to generate free discussion.

The teacher's guide gives, for every unit, information about the topic covered, vocabulary notes, the pronunciation of proper names and some other words, comprehension questions and suggestions for explanation and discussion.

Too often taped material illustrates merely the careful enunciation of regionless middle to upper class English. Project GB has avoided this: there is a good sprinkling of accents that do not quite conform to the abstraction we call received pronunciation. Teachers who are native speakers of English may regret that many of the regional accents to be heard in this material are not genuine—



there are American, Welsh and even Scottish accents, for example, that are not particularly well simulated by the recording artists. But it may well be that these conditions are close enough to fulfil the aim of helping the foreign student to cope with the variety of English dialects he is likely to hear.

Good use is made of sound effects throughout. They back up the dialogues and such monologues as commentaries on a rugby match, a motor race, a show-jumping event and so on. Sometimes sound effects without voices accompany the transparencies with dramatic impact, as in a creepy sequence designed to elicit a narrative about a walk up Glastonbury Tor on a dark and stormy evening.

The photographic quality of the transparencies is also good on the whole but split frames, where the details are often much smaller, are not always successful: a small class of overseas students had difficulty, for instance, in seeing the details in an otherwise clear and useful sequence on how home-made wine is produced.

The student's books are slim and unadorned, and contain a variety of pictorial and printed information and tasks: reading matter in small doses, songs, recipes, conversation exercises,

written exercises and games—including a very nice one on asking and telling someone the way in the London Underground.

The weak spot is the teacher's guide. Fortunately, experienced teachers will be able to ignore it; but it seems incredible that it misses so many good opportunities to exploit the material. Even where excellent features have obviously been built into the dialogues, the guide fails to advise the teacher on what to focus on and how to proceed. One example must suffice. In a unit on London radio, the taped version contains the following "fillers", which do not appear in the printed text: well/the thing is this/er/what I mean is/you know/I mean.

This was clearly done deliberately and could usefully be exploited, yet the notes merely inform the teacher that "there are certain minor alterations in the recorded version". The wise teacher will also, of course, ignore the ubiquitous taped instruction "Look at page x in your book" when dealing with the listening material. If, as I hope, Project GB is successful, the publisher might consider revising the notes for the teacher, as they do not reflect the quality of the teaching material.

Bird life

Grebes. By Jon Fieldes. 24 colour slides, a 64-page book, 10 worksheets, a teacher's guide and a cassette tape. £14 plus VAT. Fergus Davidson Associates Ltd, 376 London Road, West Croydon.

The book is intended to give a clear presentation of grebes, with special emphasis on their ecology and behaviour. It is liberally illustrated with black and white photographs and line drawings. The illustrations include monochrome reproductions of all the slides. The book covers the biology of the birds very fully.

It is suggested that the slides and the tape would be most useful for independent work—and that the exercises on the worksheets could provide consolidation for this study. On the tape, which plays for just under 20 minutes, the commentator describes the way the grebe adapts to its particular way of life, with pair bonding, nest construction, mating and parental care a major part of the material.

The commentary is clear, with in places, a background of bird calls, of which, amusingly, the most obvious one appears to be a cuckoo. The general standard of the photography in the slides is good, although one or two lack sharpness.

The worksheets are attractively laid out and each contains a drawing or diagram which, apart from a couple of minor defects, are clear and should provide valuable reinforcement. The material provides information on an interesting and uncommon animal, and can also be used to develop an understanding of such concepts as adaptation, survival value, territory, etc. The package should also encourage both teachers and pupils to pay more attention to the bird-life around them.

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Banking on media

A regional resource bank to promote the study of film and television is now fully operational at the Leicestershire Centre after its official opening earlier this year.

The bank was set up by the Educational Advisory Service of the British Film Institute in collaboration with other interested parties to encourage media studies in schools and colleges. A programme of courses, study events and curriculum projects has been established.

The particular strength of the bank is that it makes available to the local teacher or student hitherto inaccessible materials and is therefore expected to make a large contribution to the full acceptance of film and television studies within the main stream of education. Further information: BFI Educational Advisory Service, 81 Dean Street, London W1A 6AA.

Punters examined

Gamblers Anonymous have recently issued a tape-slide pack on compulsive gambling.

The pack, which is intended for use in the classroom, covers the biography of a compulsive gambler. Materials used at meetings of Gamblers Anonymous and Gam Anon are included.

The makers expect that the pack will be of particular interest to teachers of biology, psychology, education and social studies. The pack costs £15 from Gamblers Anonymous, 17-23 Blomfield Street, Cheyne Walk, London SW10.

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The centre, which is due to open later this month, will provide a range of facilities to enable audio-visual librarians and other preview programmes from all over the United Kingdom and, in the future, from abroad.

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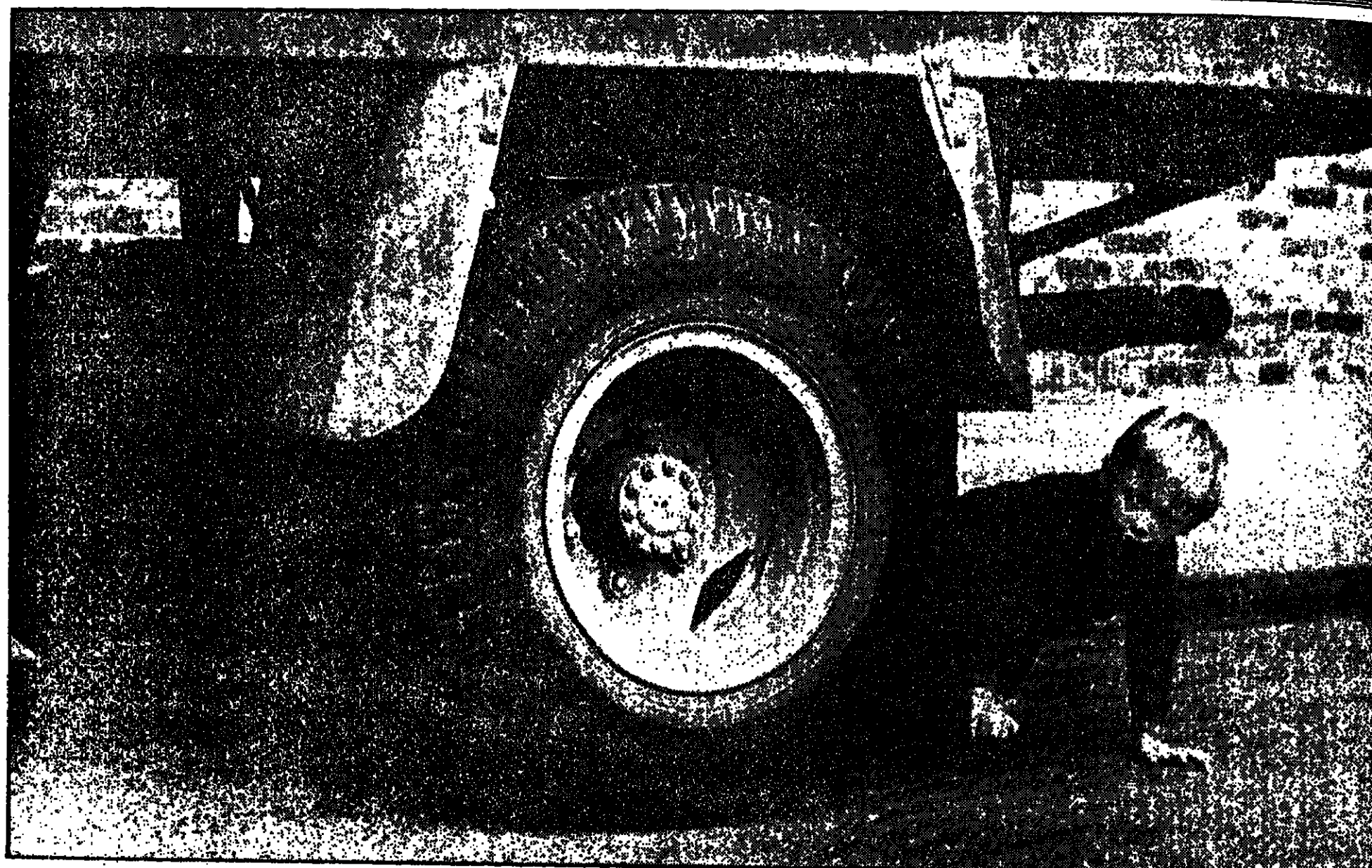


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Caught unawares

On average, a thousand children a week are injured on the roads. Barbara Preston finds some disturbing gaps in primary schoolchildren's knowledge of road safety

Those who teach road safety must often wonder how much the children remember. Thanks to the Job Creation Scheme, which provided the money for three unemployed teachers to undertake this work, we were able to question children in infant and junior schools on their knowledge of it.

We interviewed 167 infant children in eight schools. All the teachers cooperated in letting us talk to them. An imaginary road was marked out and each child was asked to show and explain how to cross it safely. Table 1 shows the number of children in each age group who remembered to look and listen, who only looked, who needed considerable prompting or who did not look at all.

The percentage of each age group who either did not look, or needed prompting, was, not surprisingly, much higher for the younger age groups, but was still 9 per cent for the 6 and 7-year-olds. By the age of 7 many of the children go to school alone or with friends, run errands, even on busy roads, and play in the streets, as shown in Table 1. So by that age it is important that they know the basic "stop, look and listen".

The children were then asked what they would do if there was a parked car on the road. Most of them knew they should not cross near parked cars, but more than half of the four and five-year-olds, 30 per cent of the six-year-olds and 15 per cent of the seven-year-olds could not say why. One boy said he would move away from the parked car because he might get stuck on him from the exhaust pipe.

The children were then asked if they, or any of their friends, had been hurt on the road. Five of the children said that they had had an accident. The most recent of these was a six-year-old girl coming home from school with her mother, who dropped a letter she was carrying. The letter blew into the road, the child ran after it and was knocked down by a car.

Another child said he had been pushed into the road in front of a car. A boy was knocked off his bike. One accident happened when a child was thrown into a car when he was running. The other child could not say what happened. Apart from the story of the child running after the letter,

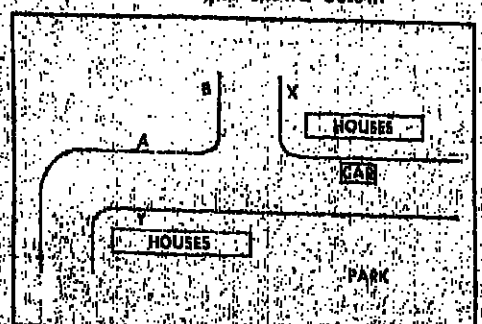
27 children claimed to have had friends involved in accidents, three did not know any details, and the children's reports of the other 24 accidents are given in Table 2.

In the same eight schools 164 junior children, nearly all between the ages of nine and 10, were questioned. Only six said that they did not know the Green Cross Code at all, but another 12 could not answer any questions about it, and had no idea why it was important. The number of children who failed to mention different parts of the code indicated serious omissions in their knowledge.

For instance, only 11 children mentioned the specific injunction "STOP", which is perhaps the most important part of it. Sixty-two per cent said "stand near the kerb", or "on the kerb", which might imply stop, but the feeling that you must always stop before going into the road, no matter what you are doing, is not quite covered by this. Moreover, mention of stop or stand at the kerb.

The Green Cross Code says: "First find a safe place to cross, then stop". But the little picture says: "Find a place away from parked cars". Forty-two per cent of the children mentioned that you must avoid parked cars, but apparently no one said: "Choose a place where you can see clearly along the road in all directions".

It was, therefore, decided to pursue these points in case these serious omissions were due to the method of questioning. This was done by constructing a small model, with a toy car, a pedestrian, houses, a side road and a bend in the road, as shown below.



The child was told that this was a model of a road with a parked car, and asked to cross the road over the road to the car, showing where and how to cross the road. In the second part of the test the model car was removed and the pedestrian placed at Y. The child was asked how you would cross if you wanted to get back to X.

After the manoeuvre the children were asked why they had crossed that way if they had not already explained. In an attempt to clarify what the child perceived as hazardous, they were reminded that the Green Cross Code told them to find a safe place to cross, and were asked what sort of a place they would look for if there were no Pelican or Zebra crossings. Finally, if they had crossed dangerously on the model, or seemed confused during the questioning, they were shown the model again, and the hazards they had missed.

We interviewed 118 children from seven different schools. When they were saying how they would cross the model road 29 did not mention "stop". In addition one child stopped on the road, and another said that you must not stop on the kerb. So a quarter did not automatically think "stop" before anything else.

This finding is disturbing, as the Green Cross Code, to be effective, must not only show the safe way of crossing roads, but instill into the child the automatic reaction of stopping at the kerb. Many accidents occur when the child is not actually trying to cross the road, but running after a letter that is blowing away, or having a fight, or some such activity.

When demonstrating on the model, 21 children seemed to be unaware of the danger of crossing near the parked car. Even more worrying, 49 crossed in a way that showed they were unaware of the danger of not corners, many crossing from Y to A and B to X without any indication that they should be aware of vehicles coming round the corner.

It could be argued that such a model is unrealistic, showed, from above, can see that there is nothing coming. However, the children were asked about the Green Cross Code, and only 22 per cent had an

adequate understanding of what to do when told: "First find a safe place to cross". Perhaps it is not surprising that 1,000 children are injured on the roads, on average, every week.

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TABLE 1
Replies from Infant School Children by age

	Age 4	Age 5	Age 6	Age 7
Number of children questioned	9	49	76	33
How would you cross this road safely?				
Look and listen	3	28	61	25
Look only	1	5	8	1
Needed prompting	3	12	3	1
Did not look	2	4	4	1
Needed prompting or did not look as a percentage of this age group	33	24	5	3

	Age 4	Age 5	Age 6	Age 7
How do you come to school?				
With parent	5	36	90	4
Sibling/friend	0	4	22	14
Car/bus	0	3	4	4
Alone	0	3	20	11
Do you run errands alone?	0	21	27	10
Yes, on quiet roads	0	2	17	10
Yes, on busy roads	0	23	32	9
Unemployed	0	16	16	6
Guessed	0	21	26	9
Parked/Wasteland/elsewhere	0	21	34	15

	Age 4	Age 5	Age 6	Age 7
Reasons given by children for accidents				
Ran into the road without looking	0	1	1	1
Walked into road behind footpath	0	1	1	1
Walked into road behind bus	0	1	1	1
Knocked off bike	0	1	1	1
Looked before crossing, but had not seen the car coming	0	1	1	1
Run into the road	0	1	1	1
Slipped on pavement and rolled into road	0	1	1	1

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KIRKLEES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL
DENBY DALE NURSERY SCHOOL
Denby Dale, Kirklees
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Primary Education

BARNET
OAKLAND INFANT SCHOOL
Oakland, Barnet
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CUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL
HEAD TEACHERS are required at the following schools from April 1980 or earlier if possible:
(1) DENDRON C. of S. PRIMARY
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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE BURNHAM LECTURER GRADE I (GERMAN)

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for a post in the East Midlands that will be vacant in May, 1980.

Applicants should be able to teach the basic structure of German, making full use of modern teaching techniques and equipment. Candidates should possess an up-to-date knowledge of the geography, history and social customs of Germany. It is essential that they possess native-speaker ability in German and it is desirable that they hold a University Honours Degree and/or service inter-linguistic or similar qualification. Exceptionally, candidates without a degree may be considered if they can show that they possess the necessary command of English and German and have previous teaching experience. In addition, a good knowledge of Russian would be a distinct advantage.

SALARY. Salary will be in accordance with the Scales of Salaries for Teachers in Establishments for Further Education, England and Wales, i.e., £3,400-£5,988 p.a. plus £72 p.a. Supplement, according to qualifications and experience. A pensionable allowance of £600 p.a. will also be paid for the slightly longer teaching year.

SUPERANNUATION. The appointment will be supernumerary under the Teachers' Scheme and the successful candidate will be granted established civil servant status. Short-listed candidates will be required to sit a written language test of one hour's duration in London followed by an interview. Interviews are expected to take place in mid-January. Reasonable travelling expenses, etc., will be reimbursed. Requests for application forms should be made (on a postcard, please) to the Ministry of Defence, CMT(S)(L), Room 339, Ligon House, Theobalds Road, London WC1X 8RY, quoting reference A/W1540.

The closing date for the receipt of completed application forms is 14 December, 1979.

COLLEGES OF FURTHER EDUCATION continued

SURREY
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SURREY COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY
Applications are invited for the following posts which will be available immediately on 1 January 1980.

LECTURER IN MATHEMATICS
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Polytechnics

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Universities

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LECTURER II IN GENERAL AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES

The School of Education, University of London, is seeking a Lecturer II in General and Communication Studies. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching and supervising students in the Department of General and Communication Studies. The post holder will also be responsible for the development of the Department of General and Communication Studies. The successful candidate will be required to have a degree in General and Communication Studies and a minimum of five years' experience in the field of General and Communication Studies. The successful candidate will be required to have a minimum of five years' experience in the field of General and Communication Studies. The successful candidate will be required to have a minimum of five years' experience in the field of General and Communication Studies.

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CAVENDISH STREET, KEIGHLEY, TEL 65421

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANT (FURTHER EDUCATION)

£5,610-£5,937 (inclusive)

A Professional Assistant is required in the Further Education Division. The post is designed to provide training for suitably qualified (graduate or equivalent) candidates entering from teaching or already in Local Government service. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching and supervising students in the Department of Further Education. The post holder will also be responsible for the development of the Department of Further Education. The successful candidate will be required to have a degree in Further Education and a minimum of five years' experience in the field of Further Education. The successful candidate will be required to have a minimum of five years' experience in the field of Further Education. The successful candidate will be required to have a minimum of five years' experience in the field of Further Education.

LONDON BOROUGH OF SUTTON

**PLYMOUTH
POLYTECHNIC**
STUDENT SERVICES CENTRE
CAREERS INFORMATION
OFFICER

SALARY: £4,470-£7,149

To be part of the careers/counselling team and responsible for careers information. The applicant will assist students seeking information and guidance on careers matters and will be involved in some group work. A degree, HND or equivalent qualification is required and preferably some work experience. Application forms returnable by Friday, 7th December, 1979, can be obtained with further particulars from the Personnel Officer, Plymouth Polytechnic, Drake Circus, Plymouth PL4 8AA.

UNIVERSITY college of swansea

Lecturer

Applications are invited for the post of Lecturer in Education. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching and supervising students in the Department of Education. The post holder will also be responsible for the development of the Department of Education. The successful candidate will be required to have a degree in Education and a minimum of five years' experience in the field of Education. The successful candidate will be required to have a minimum of five years' experience in the field of Education. The successful candidate will be required to have a minimum of five years' experience in the field of Education.

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West Sussex Institute of Higher Education

(incorporating Bishop Otter College, Chichester and Bognor Regis College)

Joint post of

Deputy Director of the Institute

and

Head of Bishop Otter College

(Vice-Principal Grade, Burnham FE Group 7, under review)

Applications are invited from communicant members of the Church of England and of churches in communion with it for the above post which falls vacant on September 1, 1980.

Application forms and details from Director's Secretary, The Dome, Upper Bognor Road, Bognor Regis, West Sussex (PO24 3BB).

Closing date: December 10, 1979.

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR

NCVVS is currently a constituent part of the National Council of Social Service. From April 1, 1980, it becomes an independent body housed in the offices of the National Youth Bureau at Leicester.

NCVVS is looking for a Director who will head the newly independent body and develop it as a lively and effective organization for the voluntary youth service movement. The new body is intended to provide a forum for the voluntary youth services, maintain and develop relations with government (central and local) and relevant persons and organizations, and provide services to member organizations.

The organization will have a staff of five—a Director, two Executive staff and two secretarial staff. Travel to London and other parts of the country will be necessary.

Salary scale: £7,704 to £9,534. Further details and application form from the Personnel Officer, NCSS, 26 Bedford Square, London WC1B 3HU (telephone 01-636 4066). Closing date November 30, 1979.

Interviews for short-listed candidates will be held on December 13 and 14. Applicants should be available to start on April 1, 1980.

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Salary range: £6,500 to £14,000 p.a.

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Adult Education

KENT
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DARTFORD DIVISION
DARTFORD ADULT EDUCATION
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County of Cleveland Youth Tutor

Salary in accordance with Burnham Scale 3. Required at Bishopsgarth Youth and Community Centre, Harrogate Lane, Stockton.

Applications are invited for this post in an established Youth and Community Centre. The Centre has its own purpose-built premises (with Coffee Bar, Disco Area, Games Area, Lounge, Craftroom, Committee Room etc) and use of school premises (including a Sports Hall).

Applicants should be qualified teachers and experienced in operating a Youth and Community Centre. In approved cases, financial assistance with the removal of household effects will be available. Temporary housing accommodation may be available in approved cases, within the County area.

Application forms are available from the County Education Officer, Education Offices, Woodlands Road, Middlesbrough, (telephone 0842-248155, ext 3000) to whom completed forms should be returned by 30th November, 1979.

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Administration

Local Education Authority

CALDERDALE

Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Education Authority. The Authority is seeking applications for the post of Assistant Education Officer (Special Education) on a full-time basis. The successful candidate will be responsible for the co-ordination of special education services within the Authority. The post is based at the Authority's offices, Calderdale Town Hall, Calderdale, West Yorkshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Authority, Calderdale Town Hall, Calderdale, West Yorkshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Assistant Education Officer (Special Education) on a full-time basis. The successful candidate will be responsible for the co-ordination of special education services within the Council. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

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Examiners

Examiners. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Examiner. The successful candidate will be responsible for the examination of candidates for the various examinations. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

INTERNATIONAL CHARITY

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Outdoor Education

Outdoor Education. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Outdoor Education. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the outdoor education. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

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LEEDS CITY COUNCIL

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AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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Entertainments

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For Sale and Wanted

For Sale and Wanted. The Council is seeking applications for the post of For Sale and Wanted. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the for sale and wanted. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION SERVICES

PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION SERVICES. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Professional Communication Services. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the professional communication services. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

Royal County of BERKSHIRE

ASSISTANT EDUCATION OFFICER (Special Education)

Applications are invited for the appointment within the Schools Division with particular responsibility for: (i) the educational placement of children identified as having special needs, (ii) the administration and development of special schools and classes, (iii) the administration of the school Psychological Service, Child Guidance Service and other supporting services for children with special needs, (iv) liaison with Area Health Authority, Social Services and other appropriate agencies. Candidates should be honours graduates with teaching and administrative experience in an Education Department. The successful candidate will be expected to take up the appointment in Spring, 1980. Assistance with relocation expenses is available in appropriate cases and an essential user car allowance is payable. Forms of application and further details available from the Director of Education (H.G.), Kennet House, 80/82 Kings Road, Reading RG1 3SL. Closing date November 30, 1979.

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General

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OVERSEAS COUNCIL

OVERSEAS COUNCIL. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Overseas Council. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the overseas council. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

Child Care

Child Care. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Child Care. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the child care. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

DEPUTY SENIOR SUPERVISOR

DEPUTY SENIOR SUPERVISOR. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Deputy Senior Supervisor. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the deputy senior supervisor. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

NIRKLES

NIRKLES. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Nirkles. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the nirkles. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Educational Psychologists. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the educational psychologists. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

Ancillary Services

Ancillary Services. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Ancillary Services. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the ancillary services. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

Miscellaneous

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ETHNIC MINORITIES SUPPORT

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CAREWOMEN SUPPORT

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TEACHERS OF ENGLISH

TEACHERS OF ENGLISH. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Teachers of English. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the teachers of English. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

CONSORTIUM LINGUISTS' TEAM

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BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

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County School Meals Organiser

COUNTY SCHOOL MEALS ORGANISER. The County School Meals Organiser is seeking applications for the post of County School Meals Organiser. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the county school meals organiser. The post is based at the County School Meals Organiser's offices, County School Meals Organiser, County School Meals Organiser. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the County School Meals Organiser, County School Meals Organiser, County School Meals Organiser. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

West Sussex County Council

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL. The Council is seeking applications for the post of West Sussex County Council. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the West Sussex County Council. The post is based at the Council's offices, West Sussex County Council, West Sussex. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, West Sussex County Council, West Sussex. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

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ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE. The Council is seeking applications for the post of English as a Foreign Language. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the English as a foreign language. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

TEACHING ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

TEACHING ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Teaching English as a Foreign Language. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the teaching English as a foreign language. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

TECHNICAL TRAINING

TECHNICAL TRAINING. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Technical Training. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the technical training. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

Appointments Wanted

APPOINTMENTS WANTED. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Appointments Wanted. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the appointments wanted. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

Educational Courses

EDUCATIONAL COURSES. The Council is seeking applications for the post of Educational Courses. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the educational courses. The post is based at the Council's offices, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Council, Hertfordshire County Council, Hertford, Hertfordshire. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

Borough of Haringey

BOROUGH OF HARINGEY. The Borough of Haringey is seeking applications for the post of Borough of Haringey. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the Borough of Haringey. The post is based at the Borough of Haringey's offices, Borough of Haringey, Borough of Haringey. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the Borough of Haringey, Borough of Haringey, Borough of Haringey. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE RESOURCE CENTRE

ENGLISH LANGUAGE RESOURCE CENTRE. The English Language Resource Centre is seeking applications for the post of English Language Resource Centre. The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the English language resource centre. The post is based at the English Language Resource Centre's offices, English Language Resource Centre, English Language Resource Centre. The salary is £11,500 per annum. Applications should be sent to the Chairman of the English Language Resource Centre, English Language Resource Centre, English Language Resource Centre. The closing date is 21st November 1979.

There are the following vacancies:

There are the following vacancies: (I) PRIMARY TEAM. One Post for an experienced and qualified teacher to be based in one of the through primary schools working and developing the English of bilingual children, working largely in the classroom alongside a native English teacher. One temporary post to replace a teacher on maternity leave. (II) SECONDARY TEAM. Three Posts for experienced and qualified teachers which will involve them in working in one of the through comprehensive schools, working and developing the English of bilingual children, working largely in the classroom alongside a native English teacher. All posts carry a Scale 2 salary.

Applicants should have teaching experience in: Bilingual Multi-cultural schools and appropriate qualifications (e.g. RSA Certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language).

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